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Kowloon	...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.33	4.35	5.29	7.21
Yaumati	...Dep.	6.50	—	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	2.31	4.44	5.38	7.30
Shatin	...Dep.	7.02	—	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	2.43	4.56	5.51	7.43
Taipo	...Dep.	7.16	—	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	2.56	5.09	6.04	7.55
Taipo Market	Dep.	7.21	—	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	3.00	5.13	6.08	7.59
Fanling	...Dep.	7.32	—	—	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	3.11	5.24	6.19	8.09
Sheungshui	..Dep.	7.36	—	9.07	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	3.15	5.28	6.23	8.13
Shumchun	...Arr.	7.42	8.45	9.13	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	3.21	5.34	6.29	8.19
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Canton	...Dep.	—	—	—	—	—	8.45	—	—	—	—	3.00
Shumchun	...Dep.	7.19	8.06	10.38	11.40	3.00	4.17	5.13	5.20	5.40	6.08	6.40
Sheungshui	...Dep.	7.26	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	5.27	5.47	6.15	—
Fanling	...Dep.	7.31	8.17	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	5.24	—	5.51	6.19	—
Taipo Market	Dep.	7.41	8.27	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	5.34	—	6.01	6.29	—
Taipo	...Dep.	7.45	8.32	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	5.38	—	6.05	6.33	—
Shatin	...Dep.	7.58	8.46	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	5.51	—	6.18	6.46	—
Yaumati	...Dep.	8.12	8.57	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.03	6.03	—	6.30	6.58	—
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Fanling	7.45	11.30	2.20	3.20	6.25	
Shataukok	8.40	12.25	3.15	4.15	7.20	
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Shataukok	6.30	10.15	1.05	2.05	5.00	5.15
Fanling	7.25	11.10	2.00	3.00	5.55	6.10

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MACAO'S NEW GOVERNOR.

RECEPTION IN HONG KONG.

LUNCHEON AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

DEPARTURE FOR MACAO BY THE "PATRIA" THIS MORNING.

H.E. Senhor Artur Tamagnini Barbosa, the new Governor of Macao, accompanied by Mme. and Mlle. Barbosa and four young sons arrived from Lisbon by the M.M. steamer *Amazone* yesterday morning. Capt. Steele, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, went on board to welcome Senhor Barbosa and family to Hong Kong in the name of His Excellency and to extend the hospitality of Government House to the visitors.

The new Governor of Macao is a man of commanding presence and an engaging personality. He is no stranger to the Portuguese Colony where he is taking over the reins of Government for the second time. He was born in Lisbon but two of his brothers were born in Macao.

His stay in Hong Kong is necessarily of short duration as arrangements have been made for his arrival at Macao by 2 o'clock this (Wednesday) afternoon and, therefore, he is leaving with the members of his staff by the Portuguese gunboat *Patria* at 9 o'clock this morning. While here the visitors made the Hong Kong Hotel their headquarters. Yesterday they were the guests of Sir Cecil and Lady Clementi at luncheon at Government House and in the afternoon they attended an informal tea-party at the residence of Senor Cerveira de Albuquerque e Castro, the Portuguese Consul-General, and Mme. Albuquerque at the Peak. Arrangements had been made by the Committee of the Club Lusitano to hold a reception at the Club in honour of the new Governor this afternoon, but owing to the fact that Senhor Barbosa had to continue his journey earlier than expected this reception had regretfully to be abandoned.

The Governor's Staff.

The members of the Governor's staff, accompanying him to Macao, who also arrived by the *Amazone* yesterday are:—Capt. Frederico Tamagnini Barbosa (a younger brother of His Excellency), A.D.C., Mr. Tito Poiares (who has held office at Macao before) private secretary, Dr. Pereira Magalhaes, Colonial Secretary, Major Pinto da França, Chief of Staff, accompanied by Mrs. da França, Major Joel Vieira, Garrison Commander, and Lieut. Bento de Abreu, A.D.C. With Lieut. Abreu were Mrs. Abreu and child.

Among the early arrivals on board to greet the new Governor was Senhor Albuquerque with whom were Mme. and Mlle. Albuquerque. Other members of the Portuguese community in Hong Kong to call were: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. da Roza and Mr. A. F. Silva-Netto, representing the Club Lusitano, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Souza (Club de Recreio), Mr. Jose M. Pereira, an intimate friend of Senhor Barbosa, Mr. F. P. de V. Soares, Mr. P. M. N. da Silva, Mr. Pedro da Silva and Mr. J. P. Braga.

Deputation From Macao.

A representative deputation also came from Macao to meet Senhor Barbosa. Among these were Commander Ivens Ferraz, of the cruiser *Republica*, senior naval officer, representating the acting Governor of Macao, Admiral Hugo de Lacerda; Commander Inso, of the gunboat *Patria* now in harbour, Dr. Felix Horta, Consul-General for Portugal at Canton, Dr. Pinheiro da Costa, Chief Justice, Macao; Dr. Horacio de Carvalho, Registrar General; Mr. Pedro Nolasco, Secretary for Chinese Affairs; Lieut. Ruy da Camara, of the Macao Artillery; Mr. Vizeu Pinheiro, Secretary Macao Harbour Works; Dr. Pedro Lobato, Mr. Carlos Cabral, of the Chinese Maritime Customs and a personal friend of the Governor's, Miss da Costa Nunes, sister of the Bishop of Macao, Commendador Lu Lim-ioo and several officers of the Portuguese gunboat *Patria*.

In Macao an official reception on a large scale is being organised for this afternoon.

S.S. "CARINTHIA" HERE TO-DAY.

BIG CUNARDER ON WORLD CRUISE.

TOURISTS TO EXPLORE HONG KONG.

The magnificent Cunard liner *Carinthia*, which paid a visit to Hong Kong last year, is due to arrive here this morning, and will berth at the Kowloon wharves.

The liner is on her second world cruise of 35,000 miles and will bring about 350 globe trotters to visit the Colony. On arrival to-day, parties will tour the New Territories and Island by motor car, and some will explore the Peak. A party will also make a trip to Canton by the *Taishan* to-morrow.

To-morrow and Friday the visitors will be entertained to a Thé Dansant at the Repulse Bay Hotel. Tiffin will be served to them every day at the Hong Kong Hotel during the stay. Arrangements for the entertainments of the "Carinthianians" are in the capable hands of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Tourist Bureau and the visitors may be assured of the best that the island can offer.

The globe-trotters will have certain half-days during which they may do just what they please, nothing being organised.

The great Cunarder left New York on October 14th, and has visited Cuba, Panama, Hawaii, Yokohama, Tokyo, and Shanghai. From h the steamer will sail for Manila, Aus alia, New Zealand, Batavia, Singapore and Suez for Athens, Naples, Monte Carlo, Gibraltar and Cherbourg. The liner will return to England during the early spring.

Devices for Safe Navigation.

A full description of the elaborate arrangements made on the *Carinthia*, before she sailed from Liverpool, has been referred to in the *Daily Press*, but it will not be out of place to mention that the liner is fitted with the latest devices which make both for safe navigation and personal comfort on the high seas. Her public rooms and state-rooms embody the latest innovations in ship's architecture and are also unusually spacious.

The Adam style Restaurant and all the public rooms are on the one deck, where it will also be found two beautifully decorated garden lounges, a large writing room, and a card room of equal size. There is on board a circulating library with about 1,000 modern novels, and a confectionery shop on the same deck.

The smoking-room, however, is the pride of the great Cunarder. The designing of this room was based on certain elements in the house of the eminent Spanish artist El Greco, and the wonders of this room have been admired by thousands of travellers during the past two years.

The *Carinthia* has over 80 state-rooms; all with private baths attached. She also has several luxurious suites and *en suite* apartments.

The sports arena, which consists of a swimming pool, gymnasium, electric bath and squash racket court, occupies five thousand square feet of the ship's space. In the open space of the deck, every facility is provided for deck tennis and other games. There is also an open air swimming pool, and last but by no means least the Cunarder is abundantly stocked with stores, her wines and spirits being an epicure's delight.

The *Carinthia* will leave here on Friday evening, which will give the tourists two complete days to get acquainted with our customs and conditions; a small allowance, even for the experienced globe-trotter.

ELECTRIC LIGHT INSTALLED AT KIENPING.

Despite her wars and labour troubles life still continues smoothly in the majority of China's small town and villages, according to the *N.-C. Daily News*.

November 24th was a red letter day in the history of the small city of Kienping in witnessing what the Chinese term the "opening" of electric light on its main thoroughfares. But those who have seen it say it is "very bright" when compared with the flickering lamps that have hitherto lighted the way for nightly pedestrians. This innovation is enough to prove that the citizens have not sat down to wait with idle hands for the trouble to come which is stalking abroad in so many other parts of China. That day, however, the city was full of rumours of military movements within a day's journey so more may develop.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

Around-the-World tourist liner *Carinthia* due.
H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Football: Interport Trial Game, H.K.F.C. Ground, 4.30 p.m.
Hockey: H.K. Hockey Club *v.* H.K. and S.R.A., U.S.R.C. ground, 4.45 p.m.
Paper on "Road Construction," by Mr. Frank P. Van Horn, late Superintendent of Highways, New York City, at Engineers and Shipbuilders Institution, 5.45 p.m.
Final dress rehearsal "Pirates of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 8.30 p.m.
Masked fancy dress ball at Peak Club for M.O.L. Funds, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Lovers in Quarantine."
World Theatre: "The Wall Flower."
Star Theatre: "The Courtship of Miles Standish."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Parcels for Germany *vid* Hamburg (*Carl Legien*), 1.30 p.m., Europe *vid* Siberia (*Glenshire*), 5 p.m.

Thursday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Musicale Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Dinner dance at Kowloon Hotel, 8 p.m. to 12 p.m.
Cricket: Kowloon *v.* H.M.S. *Hermes* at K.C.C. ground, 2 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat."
World Theatre: "The Wall Flower."
Star Theatre: "The Dark Swan."
Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (*President McKinley*); U.S.A., Honolulu, etc. and Europe *vid* Siberia (*President Wilson*).

Friday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Kowloon Cricket Club dance, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 9 p.m. "Melodians" Orchestra.
Philharmonic Society present "Pirates of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat."
World Theatre: "Married Flirts."
Star Theatre: "The Dark Swan."
Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe *vid* Suez (*Malwa*).

Saturday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance 4.30 p.m.
Cricket and Football (details in Saturday's issue).
Yachting: 6th Championship race for racing classes.
Carnival Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel.
Dinner Dance at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant.
Philharmonic Society present "Pirates of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Bat."
World Theatre: "Married Flirts."
Star Theatre: "The Dark Swan."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe *vid* Suez (*Macedonia*), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

St. John Ambulance Brigade Annual Competition for "Ralphs" Shield, Murray Parade Ground, 9.30 a.m.
Golf: Semi-final of R.H.K.G.C. Championship, at Fanling.
Yachting: 2nd Championship race for Cruisers.

Monday.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.
Yachting: Ladies Section of R.H.K.Y.C. 4th championship race.
Philharmonic Society present "Pirates of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe *vid* Siberia (*Fushimi Maru*), 10.30 a.m.

Tuesday.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
H.K. Hotel ten dance, 4.30 p.m.
Annual Meeting of H.K. Branch of Boy Scouts Association, at St. John's Cathedral Hall.
Concert at St. Stephen's Girls' College for Cathedral Organ Fund, Missions to Seamen and St. Peter's Church Fund, 8 p.m.

To Secretaries.

[Secretaries of clubs and associations, etc., are kindly requested to forward any forthcoming events to the *Daily Press* for inclusion in the above column, which it is our endeavour to keep as correct and up-to-date as possible.]

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ITS POWER TO HEAL ECONOMIC STRIFE.

LECTURE AT THE CITY HALL.

A lecture entitled "Christian Science: The Friend of Mankind" was given by Mr. J. R. Dunn at the Theatre Royal yesterday evening.

The Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided and, on behalf of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong, extended a welcome to those present. He said: Christian Science is indeed a practical religion. It heals sickness and is helping an ever growing number of people to overcome the difficulties and troubles that seem to beset human existence, and is showing them the way of salvation from all evil. Although the Christian Science denomination only began 50 years ago there are to-day throughout the world over 2,200 Churches of Christ, Scientist, and Christian Science Societies affiliated with the Mother Church in Boston. The experience of many Christian Scientists has been similar to mine inasmuch as I was opposed at one time to what I believed Christian Science to be and to teach, but later I found that it was only my wrong conception of it to which I was opposed. I now regard it as the truth that Jesus taught and demonstrated and which he promised would make us free. The purpose of this lecture is to present the subject of Christian Science correctly and to bear testimony to the facts pertaining to the life of its Discoverer and Founder, Mary Baker Eddy. The lecturer, Mr. John Randall Dunn, C.S.B., is a member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, and I have much pleasure in introducing him.

The Lecture.

Mr. Dunn, in the course of his lecture which was listened to with the greatest attention throughout, said:

Let us consider a few examples of the solving of problems of sin, sickness, and other discordant conditions through the righteous prayer of Christian Science. A man who was sadly victimized by the tobacco habit, sought out a Christian Science practitioner. He announced that he "confined" himself to one hundred cigarettes a day but was fast becoming a mental and physical wreck. He admitted he felt that he must smoke every waking hour, and even arose once or twice in the night to gratify his craving for the weed. He told the practitioner frankly, however, that if Christian Science taught merely the use of the human will, he would not waste a moment with its treatment, for his power of resistance had completely gone. The practitioner explained that Christian Science treatment relies upon God-power and not human will-power. The man then asked for treatment. The practitioner gave him Science and Health to read, whilst he closed his eyes in silent prayer. To use the words of our textbook, "in the quiet sanctuary of earnest longings" he began to "deny sin and plead God's allness." (Science and Health, page 15). He realized that man, the real man, the image of Spirit, could not crave matter—could not find satisfaction in material sensation; that man was the expression of God, and as God is eternally satisfied with His perfect handiwork, so man must reflect this divine satisfaction now. "I shall be satisfied when I awake with Thy likeness." The practitioner pondered this glorious fact joyfully, confidently. In fact, this truth, which was indeed the healing Christ, so flooded his consciousness that he felt the work was done, and looked up and said to his patient, "You do not want to smoke now, do you?" A look of positive bewilderment spread over the other's features. His lips moved, as if trying to bring back a taste that had departed. "Why," he said; "do you know I haven't the slightest desire for the stuff?" And that was the very last of that dream. There was no gradual "tapering off," no nervous reaction. Had a miracle happened? Not at all! The truth of being had dispelled a false sense, a dream. That practitioner's communion with the facts about God and man instantly solved the problem.

Meeting World's Legitimate Needs.

A man once asked me, continued Mr. Dunn, if I thought Christian Science could help him in a business way. I replied very positively in the affirmative, and proceeded to cite cases wherein, under this treatment, a healthy activity had superseded business stagnation. On seeing a rather curious look come over the face of my inquirer, it occurred to me that possibly I had better ask him the nature of his enterprise. He replied that he sold saloon fixtures! I confess to a moment's perturbation, and then said to him, "Do you know how Christian Science will help you in this business? It will lead you out of it, and into some activity where you may meet one of your brother-man's legitimate needs—to an activity which will bless, rather than harm."

Love the Healer of Economic Strife.

What glorious things are before the race when this Christianly scientific concept of man's true business is universally discerned and practised! The Father's business will be seen to be the activity of good, and men and women will no longer regard their fellows as competitors, but co-workers in the Father's great plan. Again I state that this is not vain imagining of impractical philosophers, but truth which has been demonstrated again and again. The Christian Scientist in business can tell you of strikes amicably settled, labour problems harmoniously and justly solved, selfishness and hate, and domination healed both on the part of employer and employee, when these

(*Continued on next Column*).

problems have all been taken to the great Head of the firm in earnest, understanding prayer. Such prayer declares with conviction that there is in truth only one Mind, and that all of God's children reflect this Mind, and all therefore are brethren. How can divisions, and greed, and misunderstandings continue, in the presence of such a wave of healing, Christian love?

World Nearer Goal of Fellowship.

Many may tell you pessimistically that the sacrifices of men and nations in the great war have been for naught. Let us refuse to believe it! The glorious lessons of selfless service, and man's dependence upon his brother, can never be lost! The whole world is the better for them, and nearer the great goal of universal fellowship. In an orchestra, one sees a beautiful example of what is called "teamwork," and of the interdependence of the instruments. No one instrument can play a mighty symphony. It has its part, and an important part therein; but it is the collective contribution of all the players that goes to make the one great harmony. What if the instrument we are playing seems insignificant? The great horn next to us needs our lighter touch to enhance his beauty, while his deeper note enriches our tone.

Team-Work to Solve World's Problems.

What if the work in which you find yourself seems humdrum, wearisome, and unimportant? Stop listening to your own instrument. Lift your gaze to the great Leader, the divine Mind. Play for Him, and the brother beside you. Put your heart into it, and joy into it! If your work is making beds, make the best beds of which you are capable. If you must go to a dingy office day after day, play a better tune to help the feeble and possibly flagging brother at your side. This is the love, the team-work that is destined to solve the great economic problems of the day. And the rule is, that if we are faithful over a few things we shall be made rulers over many. Then may be hear the "Well done, good and faithful servant . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING CO., LTD.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., was held in London on December 6th, when the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended June 30th were submitted.

Extract From Directors' Report.

The net result of the year's transactions show a balance of the credit of Profit and Loss account of £311,108 made up as follows:—

Proportion of Kailan Mining Administration's profits plus interest in China	£230,732
Reparation claim recovered	1,293
Interest in Europe	18,225
Agency fees	6,000
Sundries	283
Balance brought forward (less sundry items)	239,490
	£495,933
Deduct.	
Expenses in Europe	£15,638
Directors' fees	4,200
Exchange	1,067
Income tax	93,920
Interim dividend paid 26/5/26	70,000
	184,825
Leaving a net balance of	£311,108

which the Directors recommend should be appropriated as follows:—

Final dividend of 3 per cent. (free of income tax)	£ 70,000
Balance carried forward	241,108
	£311,108

22-KNOT LINERS.

PROPOSED FLEET FOR INDIAN AND AUSTRALIAN ROUTES.

A group of business men, headed by Sir James Connelly, formerly Agent-General for Western Australia in London; Sir John Biles, of the well-known firm of naval architects and engineers; Sir Eustace D'Eyncourt, until recently Director of Naval Construction to the Admiralty; and Sir Charles Parsons, head of the Parsons Marine Turbine Company, has submitted to the Australian Commonwealth Government a shipping proposition of great Imperial importance.

The promoters of the scheme also include several of the largest shipbuilders in Britain, backed by substantial financial and shipowning interests. The scheme has been in preparation for many months, and Sir James Connelly has just returned from Australia, where he submitted it to the Commonwealth Government. When final approval has been given it is proposed to form a company, with a capital of £11,000,000, to build a fleet of 22-knot liners which will revolutionize shipping facilities on the Indian and Australian runs.

The company offers to the Governments concerned a regular fortnightly service between Britain and Australia, calling at Bombay and Colombo both ways, half as fast again as the weekly service of mail ships now running to India Australia.

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EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 6th.

Paris	123¾
New York	4.84.15/16
Brussels	34.86½
Geneva	25.14
Amsterdam	12.13
Milan	107⅝
Berlin	20.39½
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.21
Oslo	19.00½
Vienna	34.40½
Prague	163¾
Helsingfors	192½
Madrid	31.68½
Lisbon	2.17/32
Buenos Aires	45.29
Rio	5.15/16
Bombay	1/5.13/16
Shanghai	2/4¾
Hong Kong	1/10¾
Yokohama	2/0.5/16
Silver (spot & forward)	24¾

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

DECEMBER 7TH, 1926.

Hongkong Bank	$1,155 nom.
Do., London	£115 nom.
Chartered Bank	£21 sel.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B	£30½ nom.
Do., C	£13½ nom.
P. & O. Bank	£9½ buy.
East Asia Bank	$8½ nom.
Canton Insurance	$640 buy.
China Underwriters	$1.45 sa.
North China Insurance	Tls. 145 nom.
Union Insurance	$295½ nom.
Yangtsze Insurance	Mex. $45 nom.
China Fire Insurance	$200 buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	$615 buy., 617½ sa.
Dowsmiss	$23½ buy.
H.K., C. & M. Steamboats	$27½ nom.
Hongkong Tugs	$1½ nom.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	$32 buy.
Do. (Def.),	$42 buy.
Shell Transports	90/- nom.
Star Ferries	$64 sel.
Waterboats	$15 buy.
China Sugars	$25 sel.
Malabon Sugars	$36 nom.
Benguets	$1½ nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	38/- nom.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 27 nom.
Do. (single)	Tls. 14 nom.
Shanghai Explorations	Tls. 4½ nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 9 nom.
Raubs	$4½ nom.
Tronoh Mines	20/- buy.
Ural Caspians	8/- nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$115 sel.
H.K. & W. Docks	$54 sel., 49 sa.
Hongkews	Tls. 175 nom.
New Engineerings	Tls. 6 nom.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 117 sel.
H.K. & S. Hotels	$9½ sel.
Hongkong Lands	$59 sel.
Hongkong Realtys	$6.15 buy.
H.K. Territorials	$3 sel.
Humphreys Estates	$15 sel.
Prince's Buildings	$89 nom.
Rural Lands	$1½ nom.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 9½ sel.
Orientals	Tls. 3 sel.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 54½ nom.
Do. (new)	Tls. 28½ nom.
China Buses	Tls. 9½ buy.
Hongkong Tramways	$23½ sel.
Peak Trams (old)	$15½ nom.
Do. (new)	$7.60 nom.
Singapore Tractions	15/- sel.
Taxis	$3 sel.
Amusements	$18 buy.
Canton Ices	$5 nom.
Cements (combined)	$11 sel.
Do. (old)	$9 nom.
Do. (new)	$2 nom.
China Lights (combined)	$18 sel.
Do. (old)	$13½ sel.
Do. (new)	$10½ sel.
China Providents	$5½ buy.
Constructions	$12 buy.
Dairy Farms	$15½ buy. & sa.
Der A. Wings	$6 nom.
Hongkong Electrics	$60 sel., 5 1/57 sa.
Macao Electrics	$35 nom.
H.K. Ropes (old)	$10 sel.
Do. (new)	$5 sel.
Lane Crawfords	$8 nom.
Mackintoshs	$19½ nom.
Sinceres	$9½ sel.
United Asbestos	$20 nom.
Watsons (old)	$13 nom.
Wm. Powells	$6½ nom.
Telephones	Tls. 4 sel.

buy.—buyers; sel.—sellers; sa—sales nom.—nominal.

COMMERCIAL.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

December 7th, 1926.

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/10⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	1/10 15/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11⅛
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/11 15/16
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/0 1/16
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,155
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,375
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	46⅜
Credits, at 60 days' sight	47⅛
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	129
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	129
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight / Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand	94
ON MANILA.—On demand	93
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand	82⅛
ON BATAVIA.—On demand	115½
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand	nom.
ON SAIGON.—On demand	nom.
ON BANGKOK.—On demand	97½
SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying rate	$10.21
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	—
BAR SILVER, per oz.	24½

GOLF.

CAPTAIN'S CUP AT FANLING.

There were 36 entries in the Captain's Cup Competition at Fanling on December 4th-6th.

The two best cards were returned by C. C. Stark and A. O. Brawn who tied and have to play off:—

C. C. Stark	82—	6=76
A. O. Brawn	91—15=76	

Other scores were:—

H. A. Lammert	95—18=77	
A. H. Ferguson	79—	1=78
F. A. Redmond	86—	8=78
A. E. Wood	94—15=79	

Optional Pool.

There were 15 entries for the Optional Pool.

L. R. Andrews..... 80— 6=74 wins

Extraordinary General Meeting.

The annual general meeting of the Golf Club will be held on Thursday, December 16th, at 5.30 p.m. Immediately preceding it there will be an extraordinary general meeting to consider certain alterations in the Articles of Association. Details will be found in the advertising columns.

CRICKET.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SOCIETIES' MATCH.

The annual cricket match between the Oxford and Cambridge Societies will be played this year on Wednesday, the 22nd inst., on the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground, by kind permission of the Committee. The teams have not been selected. Mr. R. E. Lindsell is in charge of the arrangements.

Last year Cambridge won by the comfortable margin of 159 runs. In that match Capt. Warters scored 118 runs for Cambridge, whose total was 192. Oxford, batting last, was sensationally dismissed for 33 runs. Lt. Halsey and Rev. Quick, who have both left the Colony, were responsible for Oxford's collapse. The former took 6 wickets and the latter 4.

Mid-Week Match: Kowloon *v.* "Hermes."

The mid-week match on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground will be played on Thursday between the Kowloon Cricket Club and H.M.S. *Hermes*. This is the return match between the two. At the first meeting, the "aerial" team won by 11 runs, scoring 170 runs for 5 wickets against 159 runs for 5 wickets by their opponents.

Civil Service Teams for Saturday.

The Hong Kong Civil Service Club are playing two league matches on Saturday. The 1st team *v.* R.E. and Signals C.C. on the Civil Service ground will be as follows:—B. D. Evans (captain), G. R. Sayer, A. E. Wood, E. B. Reed, F. J. de Rome, E. C. Fincher, F. E. Lawrence, F. Baker, F. J. Ling, E. W. Hamilton, F. H. Holdman. The "A" team *v.* Police C.C. on the Police ground will be: J. H. B. Nihill (captain), H. F. Harper, R. S. W. Paterson, H. F. Westlake, H. E. Strange or T. W. Carr, R. C. Witchell, P. P. O'Neill, W. F. J. Gorvin, C. R. Spittey, R. R. Davies, C. Sara. The games have been arranged to commence at 2 p.m. sharp and it is requested that those selected will be punctual.

Volunteers *v.* R.A.

In the match between the Volunteers and the Royal Artillery next Sunday at 11 a.m. sharp on the U.S.R.C. ground, the following will represent the Volunteers:—R. C. Witchell (captain), H. V. Parker, H. E. Strange, F. E. Lawrence, L. P. Ralph, G. R. Vallack, C. T. Evans, F. G. L. Wheeler, R. W. Lee, E. G. Renton, and H. Westlake.

BOXING.

EGAN TO FIGHT IN HONG KONG.

ARRIVAL OF BRITISH AMATEUR BOXER.

Egan, the British amateur heavyweight boxer, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday by the s.s. *Amazone*.

Mr. J. Brook and other officials of the Hong Kong Boxing Association met him.

Egan has of late been travelling with the Marquis Douglas and Clydesdale, who is well known as a lightweight amateur boxer. But, as stated in the *Daily Press* months ago they parted company at Singapore, when the Marquis went home.

Egan leaves for Manila on Friday, but will return to Hong Kong on December 17th, and when the next boxing tournament is staged at the City Hall on December 21st he will fight in a six two-minute rounds contest with a local heavyweight. It is not known yet whom he will be matched against.

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. *v.* H.K.S.R.A.

In the match between the H.K.H.C. 1st XI. and the H.K.S.R.A. to-day at 4.45 p.m. sharp on the U.S.R.C. ground, the following will play for the Club:—S. H. Garrod; J. Rodger, D. Lyon; A. A. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), E. L. Sim; G. B. Slipper, L. M. S. Lloyd, F. G. L. Wheeler, B. D. Evans, and G. P. Lammert.

A NEW DANCE RENDEZVOUS.

The enterprising Manager of the Kowloon has arranged for to-morrow a dance for which a European Syncopated orchestra has been engaged, and which it is intended shall be first of a series of dances to be held throughout the winter. Alterations have been taking place in the dining room and these now reveal themselves as the installation of a system of coloured lighting which will be used at these dances. The dance will be open to everyone, and non-residents will notice the great improvements recently made in the catering department of the Hotel.

FOOTBALL.

ST. ANDREW'S BEAT ST. PETER'S.

Playing at King's Park yesterday evening, the St. Andrew's Young Men's Club defeated the St. Peter's Young Men's Club in a football match by five goals to two.

The game was interesting and well contested, despite the difference in the score.

At half time, St. Andrew's were three goals up and St. Peter's had not then scored.

After the interval, St. Andrew's netted on two more occasions, and F. Zimmern for St. Peter's then scored for his side.

St. Andrew's scorers were:—Nicholls, Baldwin, C. Wong, D. Wong and Reed.

To-day's Game.

On the Hong Kong Football Club ground, Happy Valley this afternoon, the first of the interport trial games for selecting players to meet Shanghai team visiting Hong Kong at China New Year, will be played. The kick-off is at 4.45.

The teams will be as under:—

BLUES:—Goal: Pau Ka Ping (China Athletic); right back: Ogley (Club de Recreio); left back Sherry (Police); right half: E. F. Remedios (Club de Recreio), centre half: Hudson (Police), left half: A. V. Remedios (Club de Recreio); outside right: Pile (Kowloon), inside right: Valentine (Club), centre forward: Leach (R.A.), inside left: Hayes (Kowloon), outside left: King (*Tamar*).

WHITES:—Goal: Durand (Kowloon); right back: Gardner (K.O.S.B.), left back: Bowallington (Club); right half: Davy (K.O.S.B.), centre half: Wong Shui Wa (China Athletic), left half: Oram (Police); outside right: Robins (*Tamar*), inside right: Ip Kau Ko (China Athletic), centre forward: Gosano (Club de Recreio), inside left: McClinckey (K.O.S.B.), outside left: Rev. Alexander (K.O.S.B.).

RESERVES:—McBride (Club), Caville (Kowloon), and Lo Wai Man (China Athletic).

HOME FOOTBALL.

STOKE SENSATIONALLY DEFEATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 6th.

Stoke City, leaders of the Third Division (North) and scorers in that league of 48 goals against 12, were sensationally defeated in the first round of the F.A. Cup to-day by the comparatively unknown Rhyl Athletic. The game was played at Manchester and the Rhyl team won by two goals to one. The teams met twice previously, the score on each occasion being 1-1.

Playing at home in a Cup re-play, Barrow were defeated by Wigan Borough, the visitors getting the only goal of the game.

In the third meeting between New Brighton and Wrexham, at Liverpool, Wrexham won by 3 goals to 1.

SAMPAN WOMAN'S PLUCKY FIGHT.

The struggle put up by a sampan woman, when an attempt was made to rob her, resulted on Monday night in the arrest of two robbers.

The two men, with another, who was not discovered hired the woman's boat, and arriving in the middle of the harbour, an attempt was made to rob the woman of her jewellery. She resisted with the result that she and two of her assailants fell into the sea. She swam back to her sampan, and a passing junk rescued her and detained a robber who was still in the boat. A Police launch picked up another robber. The third was not found, and was either drowned or got safely ashore.

SEARCHERS DRENCHED BY OPIUM BOILERS.

When a party of searchers in charge of Senior Revenue Officer Watt, raided No. 34, Spring Garden Lane, on Monday afternoon, where a number of Chinese were eventually found boiling opium, the inmates of the house emptied the contents of a number of fire water buckets on the heads of the searchers. The delinquents, however, could not get away as a party of detectives had been placed around the house.

One man jumped from the verandah in an attempt to escape, and sustained injuries, which necessitated his removal to hospital. Another man was sentenced to five months with hard labour by Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday. He had been convicted for opium boiling on two previous occasions.

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

We have received the following report from Saigon, dated November 30th, from the Compagnie de Commerce et de Navigation d'Extreme-Orient:—

Our market during this last fortnight was rather quiet, and prices remained at a standstill but with a light downward tendency.

Shanghai has booked some business for December delivery, but the political situation in China seems to be an hindrance to concluding business for next year although the needs appear to be rather important.

Java is at present on the market and has already booked sales in No. 1 long grain and brokens qualities for January-February shipment.

The new crop, prospects of which are good, will be available on the market end December early January.

The total amount of rice exported from January 1st to November 15th, 1926, is 1,248,599,812 tons against 1,282,423,454 in 1925.

(*Continued on next Column.*)

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White Saigon rice No. 2 sifted, Japan quality: Hong Kong $7.45, per picul of 134 lbs. f.o.b. Saigon; £0.11/-, per cwt. f.o.b. Saigon; yen 7.25, per picul of 134 lbs. f.o.b. Saigon. For December-January shipment.

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"SUNNING" CHIEF OFFICER'S STATEMENT.

GRAPHIC STORY OF FIGHT AND SNIPING AT OFFICERS.

MEN WHO WERE HIRED AS AMATEUR PIRATES.

At the continued Magistracy hearing yesterday of the case against the twenty suspects held on charges arising out of the piracy of the s.s. "Sunning" on November 15th, the Chief Officer of the ship told a very thrilling story during the morning and afternoon. He entered the witness-box about 11.20, and, apart from an adjournment for tiffin, was giving evidence and being cross-examined until the Court rose at 4.10. When the hearing is resumed to-morrow, another of the ship's officers will be called. It is understood that there are at least forty witnesses whom the Crown can call if necessary.

Mr. T. P. Beatty (the Chief Officer) related what he saw of the manner in which the pirates secured control of the "Sunning," and gave a more detailed account than had as yet appeared of the exceedingly able manner in which the recapture of the ship was planned and carried out.

In the afternoon session he graphically described the fight in the darkness of the early hours of the 16th.

Mr. Beatty gave as his opinion that the thirteenth accused was the pirates' spy, and he suspected this man of having made frequent trips in the "Sunning" with a view to obtaining particulars about the ship. The witness also referred to a number of the pirates as obviously hired men and amateurs, and repudiated the suggestion by a defending solicitor that one of the accused, because he might turn out to be a discharged seaman, did not take part in the piracy.

THE MORNING SESSION.

The "Ningpo Man."

At the morning session Capt. Pringle, master the *Sunning*, went into the witness-box, and his evidence given on the previous afternoon was read over.

Mr. H. K. Holmes (Crown Solicitor) appeared to prosecute. Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask, of Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton & Co., defended the 19th accused—known as the "Ningpo Man"; Mr. Leo d'Almada was for the second accused; and Mr. M. K. Lo appeared on behalf of the sixth accused and ten others.

Captain Pringle was questioned by Mr. Leask, who asked "How long have you known the 19th accused, the ship carpenter?

Captain Pringle: About twelve years. He has been with me, I think, in three ships. I have known him about twelve years. He is a hard-working carpenter.

Mr. Leask: Would you say he was a man of normal intelligence?

Captain Pringle: He has a silly manner, but he is a splendid carpenter.

Chief Officer's Story.

The Chief Officer of the *Sunning*, Mr. Tom Parke Beatty, was the next witness. He referred to the *Sunning* leaving Amoy on November 15th, and said he was on the bridge until noon. About 3.45 p.m. he heard a scuffle, and looking out of his cabin he saw two armed Chinese disarming an Indian guard, who should have remained posted by the grill door of the upper deck. The guard was down on the main deck, being deprived of his rifle by Chinese who were obviously pirates.

Witness sized up the situation and, without having been seen, he stepped back into his cabin, and closed the door while he armed himself with a revolver. On reappearance on the saloon deck, he found himself covered not only by one of the pirates who had disarmed the guard from the main deck, but also by a second man who appeared along the saloon deck. Witness could not identify this second pirate.

At the same time, witness saw the Chief Engineer, somewhat dazed as from an injury, being forced out of his cabin by a third pirate who held a broken teapot in his hand. Witness could not identify this third pirate.

Similarly, the Second Engineer was also forced along, by two pirates, coming along the port side of the saloon deck. He too appeared to be in a dazed condition.

Both the First and Second Engineers were forced into witness' cabin.

"I invited one of the pirates to accompany me in search of the lady passenger," said Mr. Beatty. "We went towards the saloon, but the man got very excited and when we reached the ladder he refused to let me go further towards the saloon."

Ship Set on a Dangerous Course.

Witness was then met by another pirate who forced him to go on to the bridge. There the quartermaster was on the bridge, everything was quiet and appeared quite normal. Another pirate, apparently a man of authority, then came on the scene and demanded that the ship should steered S.W. Witness told the quartermaster to say that would be dangerous, owing to the presence of rocks, but the quartermaster could not speak the dialect. This advice was unheeded and a south-west course was adhered to, with the quartermaster steering under the eye of the pirate chief.

The Captain of the ship was later fetched to the bridge by the No. 1 pirate, and after further argument, the latter consented to the ship being put back to the original course. With this decision being taken the manner of the pirates on the bridge became less uneasy, and a little more liberty was permitted to the officers.

Mr. Lapsley's Services.

Mr. Holmes: Do you know anything about Mr. Lapsley?—I found him in his cabin. He accompanied me to the lady's cabin. Two more pirates came and started to take away the lady's property. Mr. Lapsley then spoke in a dialect which they understood. Mr. Lapsley's ability led to a complete change on the part of the pirates. The officers were then allowed comparative freedom, the pirates concentrating their attention upon the master.

After dinner I had an opportunity of discussing the situation with the Second Officer. At 11.30 the pirates became very restless and we deemed it advisable not to be talking together.

Mr. Holmes: Can you identify any of the pirates whom you had seen up to dinner time? No. 7 is the man who attacked the Second Engineer.

Continuing, witness said that before midnight they had come to the conclusion that unless they recaptured the ship before any naval craft appeared, they would be murdered in cold blood. They thought that the fact that a ship of the same Company passed and had not received a response to her signal would almost certainly result in Hong Kong being informed that there was something amiss. Witness had had experience on active service and would say that anything unusual, however small, was important.

Mr. Lindsell: Omne ignotum pro magnifico?—Quite.

Pirates Uneasy.

At 11.30, when Cheling Light was due to appear on the course, the pirates became excited, and their leader who was alarmed kept flashing his torch and made it very awkward for the Second Officer to swing his navigation lead. The leader became less alarmed when Mr. Lapsley persuaded him that the light would not be approached for some little time, and he went below to the chart room.

All this time witness and Mr. Hearst were waiting for a suitable opportunity. To the inexperienced eyes of the pirates, the light was still not discernible when they approached it, and, becoming impatient, one of them snatched witness's binoculars in the box of which he had previously concealed some handcuffs, and swept the sky with the glasses, directing them everywhere but to the point where the light actually was.

Pirates Stunned.

While the attention of the pirates was thus kept concentrated the Second Officer was edging nearer and nearer, and, having had witness's previous instruction not to use his revolver lest a premature alarm should be occasioned by the noise of the shooting, he resorted to the navigation lead. He struck at one of the two pirates then on the bridge, and laid him clean out. Two blows had to be delivered with the lead before the second man could be laid low.

Then a third pirate, who appeared, coming up the ladder, was aimed at by witness, but the revolver jammed and it was discarded for a rifle which was thrust into witness' hand. The pirate was hit with a rifle shot as he was running down the ladder, and he fell motionless on the deck at the bottom.

At this stage the hearing was adjourned until the afternoon.

THE AFTERNOON HEARING.

Clubbed With a Winchester.

When the hearing was resumed in the afternoon, the Chief Officer proceeding with his story said that one of the men who had been felled by the Second Officer, was lying prone on the bridge. Witness went to search this man for arms, but the man showed signs of movement, and grabbed hold of witness "So," said the Chief Officer, "I clubbed him with the Winchester. Unfortunately the stock broke off, leaving me disarmed."

Witness said that he then went down to the man he had shot. Mr. Hurst (the Second Officer) covered him while he went down the ladder. Witness took a revolver from this man, and some revolver ammunition from the man's pocket. The dead man also had a broken rifle with him and a bandolier containing some rifle ammunition.

Used as a Screen.

"Shots rang out," continued the Chief Officer, "and there was promiscuous firing from all parts of the ship. It was dark and they missed us. At the same time, when I had returned to the bridge, the Chief Engineer appeared, coming up the ladder from the saloon deck to the boat deck. He was obviously being forced up the ladded, and was calling out 'don't shoot, don't shoot.' Mr. Hurst remained on the bridge covering the ladder leading from the saloon deck to the boat deck. I crawled along the awning, which was vertically over this ladder. By this time the Chief Engineer had reached the boat deck and a chain of pirates could be seen pushing him along towards the bridge and using him as a shield. The No. 1 pirate was immediately behind the Chief Engineer. As soon as the Chief Engineer had passed between me and the bridge, I fired at the No. 1 pirate, and then withdrew from my position. The Chief Engineer fell down and the No. 1 pirate appeared to be wounded in the shoulder. Mr. Hurst then opened up fire on the exposed pirates. I retreated to the skylight of the Captain's cabin, immediately behind the bridge, and smashed it open. In the Captain's cabin, as pre-arranged, were the Second and Third Engineers, the Wireless Operator, and the Russian lady passenger."

An Empty Revolver.

Proceeding, the Chief Officer said that in the meanwhile the Captain was covering the port wing of the bridge with an empty revolver. Attacks on the bridge and ladder were carried out occasionally by the pirates at intervals, and there was sniping as well. They had hoped to have armed themselves properly and recaptured the ship, but all they could do was to repel attacks.

Referring to the sniping, witness said this was certainly directed towards the officers on the bridge. With regard to the promiscuous firing, he could not say at what this was directed. Some pirates had got up on the after end of the boat deck and were sniping at the officers from there.

Witness then went on to refer to the fire breaking out and said the Second Officer's cabin was set alight about 1 a.m., he thought. Soon afterwards smoke was seen on the starboard side.

Mr. Holmes: When the pirates attacked what became of the passengers?

Witness: They were all herded out. I could not see anybody. They seemed to be partly in the after end of the vessel, and some in the sailor's fo'castle.

Boats Leave.

Witness then went on to refer to No. 5 and No. 6 boat leaving the *Sunning* with a number of people, and also recalled the lowering of the No. 2 lifeboat from the boat deck, in which were some of the ship's officers and quartermasters and the lady passenger. (A report regarding these incidents has already appeared in connection with Capt. Pringle's evidence).

Asked if he could identify any of the accused, witness said that No. 20 was one of the men who were on the bridge and was felled by the Second Officer.

No. 7 accused, continued the Chief Officer, glancing along the line of accused, was a particularly vicious individual, and was very active. Several of the pirates, continued Mr. Beatty, were seen to be wearing some of the officers' clothing. No. 20, for instance, had the Captain's overcoat on; while others were wearing stolen mufflers and caps.

A Pirate Spy?

Speaking with regard to the thirteenth accused, the Chief Officer said this man took no active part in the piracy. It was possible, however, that he was the pirates' spy. Witness continued that as far as he could recollect he had seen this particular man on the *Sunning* on previous trips to this one, and his actions had roused his suspicions, so much so that he (witness) had complained about the man to the compradore. The man appeared to have travelled on the *Sunning* frequently. On this particular trip, and shortly before the pirates were known to have control of the ship, this man came to his cabin on a pretext of having a bad tooth, and asked for something for it. While the man was in his cabin he (the accused) had a good look a round. "I cannot be absolutely sure," concluded the Chief Officer, "but I suspect this accused of being the man I have in mind. He took no active part in the piracy, but he has travelled before on the *Sunning*. I have been laughed at by others for my suspicions of him. I am practically certain this is the man. I have previously complained of.

The eighth accused, went on witness, was a man whose photograph was left behind with some gear by the No. 1 pirate.

This concluded the evidence in chief of Mr. Beatty, who had then been in the witness box (including the morning hearing) for about 2½ hours.

Not a Spy.

The undefended accused were asked if they had any questions to put to the Chief Officer.

The thirteenth accused denied that he went to the Chief Officer's cabin and asked to be treated for toothache. He said that he never even went up on the main deck.

Witness replied that he could not be absolutely certain of this man, but the compradore would be able to identify this accused if he was the man witness thought.

The Butt of the Crew.

In answer to Mr. Leask, who put questions with regard to the 19th accused, the Chief Officer said that this man was the ship's carpenter. He had worked in the ship since March, and prior to the boycott he had been in the ship for four or five years. The Chief Officer bore out the Captain's statement, that the man was a very good workman. "In other things not connected with his work," added witness, "he has appeared to be a little simple minded, and has always been the but of the crew."

Amateur Pirates.

Speaking with regard to No. 7 accused, Mr. Lo asked the Chief Officer, if evidence was brought to the effect that this man was a discharged seaman from the s.s. *Philadelphia*, and was travelling from Shanghai to Hong Kong, and that he was identified as such in front of the police at Hong Kong, whether this would alter witness's opinion that this accused took part in the piracy.

The Chief Officer: Not at all. This man was always to the fore when there was anything doing. He was particularly offensive to me. There were three or four men taking part in the piracy who appeared to be hired men, or amateurs, rather than practised pirates.

Replying to further questions by Mr. Lo, witness said he did not know what advantage the pirates thought they would get by leaving the *Sunning* in boats instead of remaining on board in the likehood that a fishing junk would come alongside and take them off. The weather was very rough, and the boats did not stand much chance in the sea. It was quite likely that there would be fishing junks about as there generally were in that vicinity.

Mr. Lindsell: Was there any likelihood of them being honest fishing junks?

Witness: I think fishermen are the same the world over. Of course they might have been threatened by the pirates.

This concluded the cross-examination of the Chief Officer, and the Court rose shortly after four o'clock, the accused being remanded until to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock. There will be further hearings to-morrow afternoon, Friday morning and Friday afternoon, and probably on Saturday morning. These are all the dates so far fixed by Mr. Lindsell.

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UNIONS IN CONTROL IN CANTON.

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LABOUR DEMANDS AND CONSTANT DISORDER RUINING BUSINESS.

A Canton correspondent gives us a graphic account of the difficulties of doing any business in that City now. He writes: "It is no use blinking facts and in my opinion things are going from bad to worse. No one in the Government appears to have sufficient authority or power to check the aggressiveness of the labour leaders and the pickets. These men are able to do just as they please. They hold up goods, threaten merchants and pay absolutely no regard to the law. They are, in fact a law unto themselves. What the end will be I cannot say, but certain it is that there can be no revival in trade whilst they rule the roost. I will give one or two cases in point.

On the Waterfront.

"A few days ago I saw two Chinese gentlemen and a Chinese lady approaching the Steamboat Company's wharf to board the *Taishan*. A picket argued with one of the would-be passengers. After some talk the passenger was hustled roughly to one side. The lady became frightened and eventually all three turned back and went away. Truly a democratic country. Shortly afterwards the Deputy Postal Commissioner, who was going home, went to the boat accompanied by his Chinese servant, a Shantung man. The servant was pounced upon by a picket and would have been severely handled if his master had not interfered. As it was the Deputy Postal Commissioner and the servant had to return to Shameen and take a motor boat from there in order to get aboard the steamer. So much for the condition of affairs on the waterfront.

The Surtaxes.

"A few days ago mention was made in the *Daily Press* of an Indian dealer's cargo being seized because the surtax was not paid. The dealer himself was released after three hours' detention in the Surtax Office. But what about his cargo? He could get no satisfaction from anyone. No attention at all was paid to his protests and at last, in sheer disgust, he went to Hong Kong. Then a letter from the Surtax Office was sent to the man's address on Shameen. The trader was informed and back he came in hot haste to Canton. He went to the Surtax Office and was quietly asked to sit down. Then he was informed by a minor official that he would be fined $500 and that the cargo had been confiscated. As a pleasant after thought he was told that the goods would be sold by auction in a few days when he might have the opportunity to purchase them back if he wished. The unfortunate fellow communicated with some of his friends saying that if the fine was not paid by 5 o'clock that afternoon he would be locked up in a prison cell. When the man's friends called to make enquiries they were calmly shown a proclamation announcing that anyone, foreigner or Chinese, who endeavoured to evade the surtax would be liable to three years' imprisonment or to the payment of a fine ten times the cost of the cargo. The cargo of this particular trader is worth $1,400. Apparently a fine of $500 only was imposed as 'an act of grace.' The British Vice Consul then intervened and pointed out that the Indian was a British subject and was being illegally detained. There was some suggestion of calling in the sentries, but eventually the man was released. His cargo, however, is still in custody. So much for the surtaxes against which the Powers have jointly protested.

General Conditions.

"Let us now turn to general conditions in the City. On Sunday there was a fight between two factions of weavers. Two men were killed and several wounded. The *fokis* of the silk piece goods merchants are disgruntled and are threatening to strike if their demands are not complied with. As you know, many of the banks are closed because of the strike of bank clerks. It is reported that the employers met the men's requests as far as increased pay was concerned but other impossible demands were made and so there is a deadlock.

"The fowl and duck dealers have organised a guild and celebrated the fact by driving round the City on Saturday letting off fire crackers.

"On Sunday night a Chinese official hired a motor-car. When asked for the fare he was so annoyed that he assaulted the chauffeur. Now the chauffeurs are on strike and there are no motor-cars running. I do not know who was to blame in this case. It seems reasonable to suppose that even an official should pay the hire of his car if the amount asked was a legitimate one. I mention the incident to show into what a chaotic state everything seems to be falling.

"Some stormy petrels are still striving hard to form a Customs Union for the minor employees. Up to the present they have not succeeded, but it looks as if there was trouble ahead.

(*Continued on next Column*).

CANTON BANKS CLOSED.

WAITING FOR GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION.

NO CHANCE OF AGREEMENT WITH THE STRIKERS.

MANAGERS REFUSE TO DISCUSS IMPOSSIBLE DEMANDS.

The strike of bank clerks, which has now led to the suspension of business by many of the banks in Canton, will probably force the Kuomintang Government to intervene.

At any rate that is the opinion in Hong Kong. An official of one of the banks concerned states emphatically that there is no hope of a settlement of the trouble through negotiation with the strikers themselves. The demands made are so impossible that the Bank authorities are refusing even to discuss them. It is not a question of pay or terms of service. These matters have been, or could be, settled, but the Union leaders require that all members of the staff, apart from the Managers and the Assistant Managers shall be appointed by themselves and no one must be dismissed without their consent. As the banks could not grant such conditions and continue to do business they have simply closed their doors and the doors presumably will remain closed until the Unions come to their senses or have sense driven into them by the Government officials. There is to be a meeting of the Chinese Bank Managers in Hong Kong to discuss the whole situation but it is not anticipated that the policy outlined above will be changed. The Banks foresaw trouble and were able to take precautions in time and consequently the strike means nothing more serious to them than the loss of business done by their Canton branches.

Our Chinese correspondent writes:

"The banks in Canton which have been forced to suspend business by the Bank Clerks' Union since December 4th include the Tai Chung Bank, the Bank of East Asia, the Industrial and Commercial Bank, the South China Bank, the Far Eastern Bank, the Bank of Canton, the Hing Chung Bank, the Kuo Min Bank, and the Kah Wah Bank. One of the larger banks in the group has already decided to close its Canton branch permanently before Chinese New Year but it is doubtful whether it will be able to do this as pickets are stationed at each institution to prevent any transfer of cash or documents. (As suggested above it is likely that such transfer has already been carried out.—ED. *H.K.D.P.*). The Central Bank of the Kuomintang is not involved in the strike. Nor are the native banks, which do not do international exchange business, involved. The strike is confined wholly to the 'modern' Chinese banks."

ADVICE TO TOURISTS.

WAIT TILL ORDER HAS BEEN RESTORED.

PROMISE REGARDING CANTON WATERWORKS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Provincial Administrative Council of Kwangtung is instructing all local officials to advise foreign tourists not to visit districts where order has not been restored. Fukien is regarded as territory which the tourists should not visit for the time being.

The Canton Police are being asked to select a large vacant house within their jurisdiction where the Strike Committee may organise a training school for "propagandists" and pickets.

Dr. Leung Pui Kie, a member of the Canton Kuomintang Committee and Chairman of the Kwong Wah Medical College, who has been in the hands of pirates for some considerable time, has now been released. It is reported that the ransom paid is much less than that first demanded.

The Canton Municipality, replying to the protests against its action in "taking over" the Canton Water Supply Company, states that it may release the property after a year's control when necessary reforms have been introduced and the water service improved.

Silk Merchants Attacked.

On Saturday some silk merchants from Sai Chiu, a place in Namhoi, were bringing silk down to Canton by boat when they were attacked by robbers. The robbers exploded a mine under the boat and one man was killed and two wounded. Then the marauders opened fire with rifles but the merchants returned the fire and managed to make good their escape. This incident has interfered with the traffic from Sai Chiu and now silk is not coming from this place.

Outside Shameen.

"The British and French police have complained to the Police that the rickshas outside of the Shameen gates were obstructing passage way and should be kept in order. Apparently the ricksha coolies have a strong Union. In any case the Police have not been able to effect an improvement. And so I might continue. There is no "official" boycott now, it is true. But at the same time there is no "official" anything else. Law and order are terms which mean absolutely nothing in Canton. The mob—or rather a few mob leaders—are in control."

CANTON OFFICIALS MEET CHIANG KAI SHEK.

PROCEEDING TO KIUKIANG AND WUCHANG.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE.

The Canton Information Bureau has issued the following *communiqué* dated Tuesday:—The arrival of the members of the Nationalist Government is reported from Nanchang, where they were met by the Commander-in-Chief, General Chiang Kai Shek. They will proceed to Kiukiang with other high Nationalist Party officials and later will go on to Wuchang where a general meeting will be held.

The first contingent of Government and Party leaders left Canton this morning. They are travelling overland to Wuchang. Their departure was the occasion for a big popular demonstration.

Information from the front is favourable. The Nationalist forces stand ready to face any Northern attack. The excellent discipline of the Nationalist officers and soldiers soon instilled confidence in the urban and rural populations. Nationalist power grows and is augmented by the enthusiastic support of all classes who understand the Army, realizing its popular aspirations.

Telegrams from the North report the arrest of thirteen more Kuomintang members, including several girl students, by the Tientsin British Concession authorities. It is reported that perfect co-operation exists between the British Consular and diplomatic representatives and the Fengtien Military Party. The search for Nationalists continues and it is believed further arrests are imminent.

A BRUTAL ATTACK.

SUBADAR HACKED WITH HATCHET.

INDIAN SEPOY CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED MURDER.

The alleged attempted murder of Subadar Lakku Ram, of the 5/2 Punjabis Regiment, on November 16th, was recalled yesterday afternoon at the Kowloon Magistracy when, before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, an Indian Lance-Corporal of the same Regiment was charged with attempting to murder Subadar Lakhu Ram with a hatchet.

Captain Middleton of the 5/2 Punjabis Regiment was on the Bench with Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, and the case for the prosecution was conducted by Mr. Whyte-Smith, assistant Crown Solicitor.

Outlining the case, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that he did not think it would be any use adjourning the case pending the recovery of the wounded man. The Subadar, Mr. Whyte-Smith said, was in a very critical condition, and according to medical reports it was doubtful if the wounded man would ever be in a fit state to give evidence. Apart from saying if the defendant had a grudge against him, the Subadar would not be likely to throw much light on the attack made upon himself, as the assailant hit him from the back, and the wounded man did not see who attacked him.

Continuing, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that the Subadar's quarters were in the same building as the prisoner's and consisted of two rooms, a lavatory and a yard. The Subadar slept in one room and his order slept in the other.

On the night in question, the orderly went to bed at about 11.15 p.m. leaving the Subadar writing alone. At about 2.45 a.m. the orderly would say that he was awakened by sounds of moaning. He found the Subadar bleeding freely and saw gashes at the back of the head. A hatchet was found lying on the floor near the bed.

The Paymaster, Mr. Whyte-Smith said, lives next door to the Subadar, and he would also say that he was awakened by sounds of moaning. On going to his window to see what was the matter, the Paymaster saw a man leaving the building and he passed under his (the paymaster's) window in a stooping position. Apart from noticing that the man wore a cap of the kind commonly worn by Dokhras, and never by Mohammedans, and that the man was clean-shaven, the Paymaster did not see anything to help an identification.

Purchase of Hatchet.

As there was no direct evidence as to the assailant, the only course was to investigate the ownership of the hatchet, and from enquiries it was found that the hatchet was actually purchased on the afternoon of the day in question by two Indians from an ironmonger in Lascar Row. One of the alleged purchasers was subsequently identified, and it was from the information supplied by a man who saw the purchase made that the defendant was put under arrest.

This witness would say that he was in Lascar Row buying a protractor, when he met the defendant, who was bargaining with the ironmonger over the price of the hatchet, and that he actually assisted the defendant in making the purchase.

With regards to the motive for the crime Mr. Whyte-Smith said that evidence would be produce to show that the defendant did bear a certain amount of enmity against the Subadar.

Major J. P. Lynch, R.A.M.C., medical officer in charge of the Kowloon Military Hospital, in his evidence said that he examined the Subadar at 3.15 a.m. on November 16th, and found that the wounded man was suffering from multiple wounds, also shock and hemorrhage. The Subadar was conscious, and showed no sign of concussion of the brain. The wound on the back of the head was four inches long, clean cut through the skin and down to the brain about 2 inches in depth. There was a small fraction of the skull lying loose in the wound. There was also an incised wound at the back of the left shoulder about 3 inches long and a quarter of an inch deep, which went down to the muscles.

Further evidence was taken, and the case was adjourned.

JUNK MASTER'S ALLEGATIONS.

SIGNED DOCUMENT WHEN DRUGGED.

A CURIOUS STORY DISCREDITED.

A case was re-opened at the Summary Court yesterday in consequence of a junk owner having informed Mr. Justice Wood in Chambers that he had been drugged and in that state had signed a document agreeing to accept $200 instead of $1,260 for junk hire. Of this amount $260 was waived in order to bring the case within the jurisdiction of the Court. The defendants, represented by Mr. Owen, were the Tai Fung Loong firm.

Plaintiff alleged that taking a cargo of cement for the defendant firm to Sam Cheong, near Kongmoon, on April 20th, the junk was delayed by strike pickets until July 27, and he had to return to Hong Kong with the cargo. Defendants had agreed to pay $2 a day for passage.

Regarding plaintiff's accusation as to his having been drugged, his Honour reviewed the previous happenings. The plaintiff's case had been fixed for hearing but on that day, Mr. Owen, for the defendants, had put in a signed receipt by the plaintiff for $200, and indicated that the plaintiff had signed an agreement in settlement of the case.

Subsequently, the plaintiff had attended in Chambers in company with his wife and had alleged that he had been drugged at the time he signed the agreement and accepted the money. In view of the plaintiff's statement that he had no knowledge of what he was doing, he (his Honour) had decided to hear the case.

No Collection.

Relating the alleged experience, plaintiff said that on leaving defendant's offices when the transaction was made he became dizzy and dimly remembered someone suggesting that he should lie down. He was taken to some building but had no recollection of signing any document or of accepting $200 in settlement of his $1,000 claim.

An employee of the defendant firm's agents said that it was on plaintiff's suggestion that $200 was paid to him. Plaintiff was certainly not drugged or dizzy when he signed the document. This witness had been called by plaintiff himself.

His Lordship said that he did not believe plaintiff's story. Judgment was therefore given for the defendants.

BIG PROPERTY DEAL.

HO HONG BANK PURCHASES ASTOR HOUSE BLOCK.

The Ho Hong Bank, Ltd., has purchased the block of property formerly housing the Astor House Hotel for $650,000. The site is 13,560 square feet, and the purchase price works out at nearly $50 a square foot. The Bank has offices in the building. The deal is the biggest of its kind since pre-boycott days.

The purchasers have not as yet decided to what uses they will put the property.

Established in 1917, the Bank has a capital of twenty million dollars, the Managing Director being Mr. Ko Leong Ho and the local manager Mr. Choa Keh Fai. It is closely associated with the Ho Hong Steamship Company and about a dozen other commercial and industrial enterprises founded in Singapore by Mr. Lim Peng-sing, who is now president of the whole of the concerns and who has for many years been identified with the financial and commercial development of Singapore.

WHITE COAT FOR "EMPRESS" BOATS.

ANNUAL OVERHAUL COMMENCES.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* came into port yesterday from Manila with 31 passengers and 176 tons of general cargo for local discharge. The liner also brought 16 steerage passengers.

In connection with the annual overhauling of the Empress boats, the *Empress of Asia* went into Kowloon Dock yesterday afternoon, where she will be completely overhauled and when she leaves the dock she will be painted white.

The liner will sail from here on January 6th. The *Empress of Canada*, which is a bigger boat, will go into dock on December 30th. She will receive her coat of white paint at Taikoo Dockyard. The *Empress of Russia* will receive her annual overhauling and painting at the Kowloon Dock on January 20th.

TWO M.M. LINERS HERE.

S.S. "PAUL LECAT" AND "AMAZONE" CARRY HEAVY LISTS OF PASSENGERS.

Two Messageries Maritimes steamers arrived here yesterday, and both carried a heavy list of passengers both for Hong Kong and ports beyond.

The s.s. *Amazone* arriving from Marseilles and Saigon carried 85 European cabin and 68 steerage passengers and also 28 Chinese cabin and 29 steerage passengers; the majority of whom disembarked here.

The liner also carried 93 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong and 800 tons for ports beyond. She left yesterday afternoon for Shanghai with 5 passengers who embarked from here.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at 5.30 P.M. on TUESDAY NEXT, 14TH DECEMBER, in ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HALL.

His Excellency the GOVERNOR, Chief Scout of Hong Kong, will preside.

AGENDA:—
1.—To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.
2.—To form a Colonial Scout Council to promote the welfare of the Scout Association in Hong Kong.
3.—To deal with any other business which may arise.

(Signed) A. WHITE,
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AT THE PEAK.—TO BE LET, Unfurnished, and on LEASE, No. 452, THE PEAK.—Apply DENISON, RAM & GIBB. [214

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

ACTING under Instructions from the Inspector General of Customs, I have This Day Taken Over Charge of the CHINESE MARITIME CUSTOMS FOR KOWLOON AND DISTRICT from MR. W. O. LAW, Deputy Commissioner in charge *ad interim*.

F. HAYLEY BELL,
Commissioner.

Office of Chinese Maritime Customs
For Kowloon and District,
York Buildings,
Hong Kong, 7th December, 1926. [4273

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB will be held in the Board Room of MESSRS JARDINE, MATHESON & COMPANY, LTD., Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, THE SIXTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926 at 5.15 O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution namely:—

That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:—
(a) In Articles 47 and 82 the word "President" shall be deleted.
(b) In Articles 68, 73 and 80 the word "Captain" shall be substituted for the word "President."

Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be convened subsequently.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that at the Same Place and on the Same Day at FIVE THIRTY o'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON or so soon afterwards as the Extraordinary General Meeting shall be concluded the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held for the purpose of:

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

No. 4 of 1926.

COMPANIES WINDING UP.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1911,
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE KWONG CHOW HOTEL Co., LTD.

ORDER APPOINTING LIQUIDATOR.

BY Order of the Court dated the 4TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, the OFFICIAL RECEIVER of the Supreme Court, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, has been appointed Liquidator of the above named Company with a Committee of Inspection.

Dated the 6th day of December, 1926.

E. L. AGASSIZ,
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NOTICE.

MR. H. SCHMIDT, having left CHINA, his Authority to sign our Firm Per Procuration has CEASED.

SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hong Kong, 1st December, 1926. [4250

MRS. SEMA BELILIOS,
DECEASED.

ALL Persons having Claims against the Estate of the above named Deceased are requested to send them to the Undersigned as soon as possible.

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PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd November, 1926. [4213

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NOTICE.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 8TH, 1926.

TARIFF BARRIERS.

ON the eve of the Imperial Conference an international group of bankers threw a bombshell into the Conservative camp by declaring that the longed for revival of trade was delayed largely because the tariff barriers were acting as a deterrent in the exchange of goods. It was Sir JOSIAH STAMP, we believe, who recently produced a map of Europe with each State surrounded by tariff walls of varying heights, raised to scale, and showing plastically the obstacles over which goods have to climb before they can be transferred to another country. The position is much worse than in pre-war days for there are more States and each one is anxious to assert its independence and its individuality by excluding as many foreign goods as possible.

Commenting on this the *Times* says "Perhaps the International Economic Conference, under the auspices of the League of Nations, of course, will deal effectively with the problems raised by the excessive height, the excessive frequency and the perplexing instability of many of the Tariff barriers that now impede European Trade." Perhaps it may, but if this course is advocated for Europe generally it would seem difficult to keep the Safeguarding of British Industries Act on the Statute Book, or to proceed with a scheme of Imperial Preference, for the aim of the former is definitely to exclude foreign goods which compete unfavourably with British productions, while the object of the latter is to secure by various tariff devices a development of trade within the Empire. By this means the Empire, which supplied, before the war, six or seven per cent. of the sugar imports into Britain, supplied by 1923 twenty-two and a half per cent. Tobacco likewise has risen from a half per cent. to nearly 11 per cent., and there are substantial increases in other Empire products.

England before the war was regarded as a Free Trade country. Like Hong Kong it did not levy taxes on imported goods for the purpose of benefitting home industry but simply for the purpose of getting revenue. For this reason taxes were levied on such luxuries as alcoholic beverages, scents, tobacco and tea. The war, however, revealed the importance of a country possessing certain industries even if other countries were better adapted for them. Hence there sprang up a demand for subsidies and protection against foreign competition.

The argument put forward for fiscal barriers against outside goods is that it is the only way to nurse infant industries, the idea being that when they attain full strength they will be able to stand on their own feet and there will be no further need for artificial aid. That time, of course, never comes, but if it did another argument would be trotted out, namely that a well established industry must be protected against competition from those countries where wages and the standard of living are lower and hours longer, or from the rich countries such as U.S.A. which are willing to lose large sums by selling goods below cost in order to capture the market by destroying the home industry and then recouping themselves by raising the prices when the monopoly has been secured.

The position, however, in Europe is not due entirely to these economic considerations but rather to political feeling. Czecho-Slovakia imposes impossible conditions on Austrian goods and Poland and Dantzig likewise are waging a tariff war not because they want to safeguard industries but because they find this method an excellent way of asserting their national independence and also of gratifying national dislikes. The only hope, therefore, of general revival of trade in Europe, it would seem, lies in the creation of a better international feeling.

Inspector C. F. Aris, of the Hong Kong Police, has left for Australia for a holiday.

A Chinese motor-driver was fined $10 at the Central Magistracy yesterday for disobeying a policeman's signal.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntyre and Mr. E. A. Leggatt were amongst the arrivals from Australia by the s.s. *St. Albans*.

The strike situation in various Chinese mills at Shanghai remains unchanged, with several thousand men and women unemployed.

It was announced yesterday that owing to the faulty cable connection, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond are subject to delay.

A largely attended concert was given by the Hong Kong Male Voice Choir, and local artistes at the Union Church last night. The proceeds were in aid of the New Territory Missions.

Miss Peggy Everest, the 11-year old daughter of Mr. R. J. Everest, of the P.W.D., was the winner of the Fiat motor car in the draw organised by the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

General Li Ten Chun, Commissioner of Politics of the Canton Government, and former Tupan of Kiangsi, will visit Shanghai on his way to Kiangsi where he will attend his mother's funeral.

The finals of the Shanghai Ladies Golf Club Championship were played at Kiangwan on December 3rd. Mrs. Tweedie-Stodart and Mrs. Harrison were the finalists and the match was played over 36 holes.

Mr. Leigh, Boarding Officer of the Harbour Department, has returned from a recuperative trip trough Japan and Manchuria. He has now regained his health, and returns to his duties here completely set up by his trip.

In order that repairs may be carried out, the Blake Pier will be closed to traffic from December 13th. Traffic that usually uses Blake Pier are requested to make use of the Queen's Pier until repairs to the Blake Pier have been completed.

A Chinese youth was sentenced to forty-eight hours' detention and twenty strokes with the birch at the Central Magistracy yesterday for snatching a watch from a Chinese school girl in Kennedy Town the previous afternoon. He was arrested in Hunghom when a pawnbroker with whom he tried to pledge the article handed him over to the police.

An important meeting of Messrs. M. Y. Sam & Co., Ltd., has been called for the protection committee of the Company, to be held at 3 p.m. on Saturday, at the offices in Queen's Road Central.

Mr. F. Ross, for five years manager of Wagon Lit Hotel in Peking, arrived in Shanghai on the str. *President Hayes* after a leave of absence in Switzerland. He will act as manager of the Palace Hotel, Shanghai.

During the 24 hours ended December 6th 4 Chinese cases of enteric fever were reported. For the week ended December 4th, 8 cases of enteric were reported, 7 being Chinese (3 imported). There was one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Another successful dance was given by H.M.S. Carlisle at the Royal Engineers' Theatre, Wellington Barracks, last night. There was an excellent attendance, and the company enjoyed a very merry evening. The dance music, was provided by the "Metro-Gnomes" Band.

After being knocked down by motor car in the New Territories, a Chinese woman died in the Kwong Wah Hospital. The car, which is owned by the Nam Hing Motor Bus Company, Sheung Shui, was being driven from Fanling to Shataukok, when the accident occurred.

The case against a Chinese clerk employed by the New Zealand Insurance Company, who was charged before Major C. Willson with the embezzlement of $1,200 has been withdrawn. Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson and Mr. H. S. Loseby represented the complainants and defendant respectively.

After 20 years service with the Hong Kong Police, Detective-Inspector W. Pincott is retiring on pension. He is leaving by the *Macedonia*, which will sail on Saturday. Det-Insp. Pincott is very popular in the Force, and his genial disposition has earned for him a host of friends in Hong Kong.

In connection with the final call of new shares in the China Light and Power Co., Ltd.,—deferred in the interests of shareholders generally—the general managers (Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co.) propose to pay 7 per cent. per annum until the call finally falls due on amounts already paid in advance.

Amongst the passengers who left for Sydney by the s.s. *Tanda* was Mrs. A. Prokofieva, the Russian lady survivor from the *Sunning* piracy. She has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. George Duncan, of Kowloon Docks, whose son, it will be remembered, was the Third Engineer of the *Sunning* at the time of the piracy.

The summons against a Chinese for taking a puppy in a sampan across the harbour without permission was dismissed at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Referring to the Ordinance Mr. Nihill said that the definition of a "dog" was any male or female canine animal not younger than three months. So a puppy is not a dog!

At the Land Office of the Public Works Department on Monday afternoon, Rural Building Lot No. 310, situated near Craigmin Road, was sold by auction to Mr. S. Hampdon Ross for the upset price of $1,320. The area of the property is 11,000 square feet, and it is subject to an annual Crown rental of $84. There were no offers, other than that made by Mr. Ross.

A new organization, known as the Sino-Japanese Association will soon make its appearance in Shanghai. It is said to have been initiated by Baron Funatsu, who, during his recent visit, felt an organization of this sort would help to remove the misunderstandings that have so long existed between the two peoples. A drive for $500,000 is being arranged for this purpose.

Two well known Chinese families will be united on December 20th, when Mr. Conway H. K. Wong wil be married to Miss Dora Mei Yuk She. Mr. Wong, son of Mr. Wong Chung Yu, merchant, is an official of the Oil Tax Bureau at Pakhoi. Miss She is the daughter of the late Mr. She Tak Choi, formerly of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company. The reception is being held at the Hong Kong Hotel.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the Boy Scouts Association is advertised elsewhere. The meeting will be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall next Tuesday evening and will be presided over by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) the Chief Scout of Hong Kong. The business on the agenda is to receive and adopt the annual report and statement of accounts; to confirm the Colonial Scout Council; to promote the welfare of the scout work of Hong Kong; and to deal with any other business which may be brought forward.

There will be quite a flood of mails arriving this week from Home and America. To-morrow the s.s. *President Wilson* (Dollar Line) is due with U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai and Europe *vid* Siberia mail; while the same day there should also arrive the s.s. *President McKinley* (Admiral Oriental Line) with mails from American, Canada, Japan and Shanghai. Another mail from Home and Europe, *vid* Suez is due on Friday morning by the P. & O. s.s. *Malwa*, which will bring letters and papers, dated London, November 11th, and parcels of a week previous. The outward mail for Home on the week-end will be carried by the P. & O. s.s. *Macedonia*, and will close at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday. Yesterday the Messageries Maritimes *Paul Lecat* arrived with mail from Japan and Shanghai, the *Amasone* (of the same line) from Marseilles and and Saigon with Europe and other mails, and the R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* from Manila with mail from the Philippines.

THE UPHEAVAL IN NORTH CHINA.

UNIONS ACTIVE IN HANKOW BUT GENERAL STRIKE FAILS TO MATERIALISE.

BRITISH NAVAL GUARDS WITHDRAW AT CHINESE AUTHORITIES' REQUEST.

FOREIGNERS CONDUCTING BUSINESS NORMALLY.

PUNGENT CRITICISM OF MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, December 6th.

The general strike has failed to materialise owing to lack of support from servants and other employees of foreigners generally, the majority of whom profess satisfaction with their conditions. However, intense activity prevails in Trade Union circles. Two more Unions have been formed,—the Union of Chinese Employees of Foreign Firms and the Foreigners' Servants' Union.

Situation Quieter.

Following the landing of naval guards, demonstrations in the Concessions have ceased and the situation outwardly is quieter, but it is generally recognised that an intense undercurrent of anti-foreignism prevails, which a spark might cause to develop into a conflagration.

Chinese merchants met on Friday and unanimously decided to close down shops and factories unless picket intimidation were modified, with the immediate result that the Political Bureau has offered to disband 1,000 pickets. Though heretofore fomenting anti-Imperialism behind the scenes, the Bureau has now for the first time come out into the open and a meeting is being held to-day between the Bureau and Union heads to establish a society which will be called "Overthrow the British" Society.

It is further proposed to establish an Information Bureau for the benefit of sympathisers abroad, particularly the Kuomintang in other countries.

The Soldier's Catechism.

A new book, in catechism form, has been issued recently to Cantonese officers and non-coms., the contents of which must be taught to the troops. The following are examples of questions and answers from the catechism:

Who are you?—A soldier of the People's Army, fighting for freedom and for the three principles of Sun Yat Sen.

Who are your chief enemies?—Britain and Japan.

Why?—Because they finance and encourage militarists oppressing the people.

What are your objects?—To recover the Concessions and to drive out foreign imperialists and capitalists who exploit the workers.

British Naval Landing Parties.

SHANGHAI, December 7th.

A telegram from Hankow, dated the 6th instant, states that the British Naval landing parties have been withdrawn at the request of the Chinese authorities, who guarantee the integrity of the British Concession. A platoon of marines will remain ashore on ordinary guard duties.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Foreigners Conducting Normal Business.

RUGBY, December 7th.

Hankow Press telegrams state that the Naval pickets were yesterday withdrawn from the British Concession to vessels in the river. Foreigners are conducting normal business without interference, and negotiations are proceeding between the employers and unions.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Lord Birkenhead Replies to Mr. Lloyd George.

LONDON, December 6th.

Lord Birkenhead, in a speech at Northampton, replied to Mr. Lloyd George's speech on China on Saturday and said that the inspiration and ultimate purposes of the present movement in South China were but thinly concealed. He would be doing an injustice to the ingenious plotters of Moscow if he gave anyone else the credit. It had never been the British Government's purpose to engage in any war with China. Their concern had been, firstly, to protect the lives of English men and women, harmlessly and usefully living in China under the assurances given by the former authorities of China, and secondly, as far as they could by pacific and persuasive methods safeguard our great trade and financial interests there. Any Government would be incompetent and utterly unworthy of public confidence if it neglected to demand and procure the observance of plain indisputable Treaty rights. He was shocked that Mr. Lloyd George would condescend to make a speech, wholly irresponsible, inaccurate and mischievous to fundamental interests of which he, with every other statesman in England, ought to be the responsible guardian.

"The Times" Comment.

LONDON, December 7th.

"Naturally," says *The Times*, commenting on Mr. Lloyd George's "mischief-making," Britain will not take sides in Chinese civil wars, but she has an obvious pressing duty to protect the lives of her subjects, and the employment of the Navy therefor does not constitute war.

The newspaper pays a tribute to the wisdom of Mr. Lampson in exploring the position in Central China and expresses the opinion that it is worth while to get personal contact with the Cantonese leaders; but the principle that international treaties can be repudiated by one-sided declarations and violent action is inadmissable. The *Times* finally urges that Mr. Lampson put a check upon dangerous tampering of the Customs.

The *Westminister Gazette*, in a leader commenting on Mr. Lloyd George's speech at Bradford, says the allegations that a party exists in Britain sounding the tocsin of war will be handy material for Russian propagandists trying to convince the Chinese that Britain is the enemy. Until the Government does something which can fairly be interpreted as aggressive, it is highly desirable to avoid language imputing such an intention to it. Opinion in Britain is solidly against Chinese adventures of any sort. We hope Mr. Miles Lampson will be given a free hand and the widest discretion.

The *Daily Telegraph* soundly rates Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, and declares that the recognition of the Cantonese Government by Britain would give the crowning touch to the folly and confusion of the diplomatic record of the Treaty Powers of the past few years. The paper concludes: "Let these critics recognise the plain facts and admit that the circumstances presented by the Communist masters in Russia are a vast opportunity for mischief of which the fullest advantage is being taken and for the consequences of which the Powers must needs be prepared."

Views of the Chairman of The China Association.

LONDON, December 7th.

Mr. Leefe, chairman of the China Association, in a letter to the Press, adds his voice in the chorus of criticism of Mr. Lloyd George's speech. He says there is good reason to hope that the influence of the extremists in China will be temporary and that out of the welter a Party is arising competent to speak on behalf of a sufficiently large party. The country will carry out the revision Treaties, which have long admirably served the needs of both nations. He also expresses the opinion that results will be obtained as the result of such negotiations so as to enable Sino-British trade to continue; provided the Minister to China is not thwarted by gross misrepresentation.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, December 6th.

In the House of Commons, the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Locker Lampson, replying to Sir William Davison, said the Government did not think any useful purpose would at present be served to bring the existing position in China before the League. (Cries of "Why not?") We must anyhow await Mr. Miles Lampson's report.

Mr. Wedgwood Benn asked if our representatives had not criticised the Chinese delegate's attempt to raise the question before the League, and Mr. Locker Lampson said it was perfectly true that certain inaccurate observations had been made by the Chinese delegate.

The Soviet's Influence.

Replying to a suggestion by Commander Oliver Locker-Lampson that an early opportunity be given to discuss the Soviet's influence with relation to troubles in China, Mr. Baldwin, acting Foreign Secretary in Sir Austen Chamberlain's absence at Geneva, thought that until Mr. Miles Lampson was able to report regarding his investigations and meetings with various Chinese leaders at Hankow and elsewhere, such a debate would be inopportune and prejudicial.

A supplementary question by Mr. Herbert Williams whether Mr. Baldwin thought Mr. Lloyd George's speech very helpful, evoked Ministerial cheers and went unanswered.

Situation at Hankow.

LONDON, December 6th.

In the House of Commons, the Foreign Under Secretary, Mr. Locker-Lampson, reported that the latest news from Hankow, according to a telegram received at the Foreign-Office that morning, showed a most appreciable improvement, neither the threatened general strike nor the Customs strike having materialised. The strike in the Japanese Concession had been settled by negotiations, and settlement of other disputes was proceeding. The labour situation was, momentarily, appreciably easier. Unions were being formed daily and demands for increased wages would inevitably follow, but the Consul General at Hankow did not anticipate they would be of an impossible nature. The Chinese authorities appeared, momentarily, inclined to restrain the Unions and were endeavouring to secure observance of the Concessions' regulations. It was hoped that the naval guards would be withdrawn to-day. The Minister, Mr. Miles Lampson was going to Hankow to examine the situation.

Sir Kinloch Cooke asked whether it was really thought to be the time to withdraw the naval guards, and Mr. Locker-Lampson said that everything possible would be done to protect British lives.

Unfounded Allegations.

RUGBY, December 6th.

London official circles declare there is no foundation for the allegations that the British Government or British merchants have ever financed northern militarists or any other political faction in China.

Although requests for assistance have been made from time to time, they have consistently maintained their policy of non-interference in Chinese domestic affairs.

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CHANG TSO LIN AND RUSSIAN INTRIGUE.

ANXIOUS PERIOD FOR THE "ALLIES."

THE CHRISTIAN GENERAL ON THE MOVE.

Despite all efforts on the part of the North China politicians to drag him into politics, Marshal Chang Tso Lin has so far consistently refused to be embroiled, preferring to occupy himself with military matters, the strategic position of the so-called "Allied" Forces being anything but an enviable one, says the Mukden correspondent of the *N.-C. Daily News*. Dr. Wellington Koo, who has again been playing to the gallery, is reported to be highly disappointed with the Mukden War Lord's refusal to consign himself to the hands of Peking politicians.

The Marshal's preoccupation with affairs purely military is easily understood. The position of the "Allies" is very very delicate and no one knows it better than Chang himself. He is reported to have "gently hinted" his dissatisfaction with Sun Chuan Fang and Wu Pei Fu. The latter has certainly fallen very low. His orders are openly unheeded by his subordinates and as an illustration of his predicament, the vernacular newspapers here report that he is "eating food cooked by his own wife."

Meanwhile, in the direction of Shensi and Kansu, Feng Yu Hsiang is making himself felt. With 40,000 picked men, and advancing under the Kuominchun flag, the "Christian General" is to all intents and purposes bent on effecting a connection with the Cantonese forces under Chiang Kai Shek.

More Soviet Aggression.

Meanwhile, as if to harass the Marshal nearer home, the Soviet Government has brought about a very tense atmosphere at Harbin over matters pertaining to the Chinese Eastern Railway. Mr. Savrasoff has resigned from the position of vice-Chairman of the C.E.R. on account of what the Soviet Government has termed to be "the deliberate policy of interference in recent months." Comrade Lashevitch, newly appointed vice-Chairman succeeding Mr. Savrasoff has declared, in effect, that Moscow's patience is almost at an end. The contention of the Reds is that, guided by the deliberate anti-Soviet proclivities of their foreign advisers, the Chinese authorities have in recent times gone out of their way to take issue with Moscow at every turn. On the other hand the Chinese argue, that Moscow has always shown a desire to pick a quarrel with Mukden whenever any of its paid agents in this country manages to make himself felt. Thus it was that when the "Christian General" was temporarily defeated by Chang Tso Lin, Moscow promptly displayed an inclination to climb down from its perch but now that the Cantonese are largely in control of the situation in China, with Feng Yu Hsiang's star again rising, Moscow has commenced to stiffen

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Labour Leader's Opinion.

LONDON, December 6th.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, interviewed, expressed the opinion that the Canton Government had reached a point when Britain could recognise it. He thought the time had come when the Powers ought frankly to recognise that a new China was born and that whatever influence Russia might have at Canton or elsewhere it occupies a very secondary position in the situation we have to face there. We must protect the lives of our people but this must be so afforded as to demonstrate that we do not pursue a policy of aggression, and that while preparing for that defence we should be equally active to reach an agreement on the Customs or other disputed Treaty subjects with the Canton Government.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald expressed the greatest confidence in Mr. Miles Lampson's knowledge of China and his discretion, and believed that he was the man to wipe out the exceedingly bad effect of the Wanhsien affair.

Kuomintang and the League.

GENEVA, December 6th.

Mr. Sia Ting, representing the Kuomintang, has arrived to follow the League Council proceedings and watch Mr. Chu's attitude.

The Kuomintang Delegation has sent a letter to Sir Eric Drummond, the Secretary-General, declaring that the Canton Government alone is really in a position to speak in the name of the Chinese people, and according to the Kuomintang Party all unequal treaties must immediately be abolished. "We consider all negotiations with the Peking Government to be none-existent and the claims of Belgium or any other of the Imperialist nations in the League to be null and void. Only with the Cantonese Government, if it is recognised by the other Powers, would it be possible to negotiate in the name of the Chinese people."

Mr. Chu interviewed by Reuter, said the Sino-Belgian controversy would not come up at the present session of the Council but would probably be before the next June Session when it would probably be decided to refer the matter to the Assembly meeting in September.

An Astounding Statement.

BERLIN, December 6th.

M. Chicherin in a statement to journalists dealing with the situation in China, expressed the opinion that it was clear that the South China of to-day would be the Chinese Republic of to-morrow. The Soviet Government had no intention of intervening in Chinese affairs. "We are friendly with the Kuomintang Government and we rejoice in the growth of our friends. I am astounded at the incredible narrow mindedness of British conservative politicians and journalists who make us responsible for the development of the Chinese Nationalists movement when it must be clear to every thinking person that this gigantic movement springs from the Chinese people itself."

BIG MOTOR CONTRACT.

£3,000,000 ORDER FOR AN ENGLISH FIRM.

10,000 CARS AND LORRIES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 7th.

The largest single contract received by British manufacturers from Overseas has just been placed with Morris Motors. The order, which is for delivery next year, is 10,000 cars and lorries, valued at about £3,000,000.

A FRANCO-GERMAN RAPPROCHEMENT.

SATISFACTORY PROGRESS ANNOUNCED.

POWERFUL BANKING ASSOCIATIONS.

[THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.]

PARIS, December 7th.

Le Matin stresses that great daily progress is being made in regard to the Franco-German *rapprochement* in the Economic Area. A number of various combinations have been carried out or are in prospect between private interests and a Commercial Treaty will be signed probably in February. One of the most interesting features of the *rapprochement* consists of powerful banking associations in both countries.

THE VOLSTEAD ACT.

WHAT THE LADY ASSISTANT ATTORNEY-GENERAL WANTS.

PUNISHMENT TO FIT THE CRIME.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

In the annual report of the Department of Justice, Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt, Assistant Attorney-General in charge of Prohibition, urges an amendment to the Volstead Act which would permit Courts to impose imprisonment "heavy enough to fit the facts." Mrs. Willebrandt describes the progress of the campaign against the rum-runners of the past year as "interesting if not encouraging," and emphasises the necessity for legislation to support international rum-running treaties with regard to ship-seizures. She refers to British co-operation. It appears that 25 British vessels were seized in 1926 compared with 24 last year.

itself as though preparing to be shortly in a position to dictate terms to Mukden.

Danger is seen in these mutual recriminations and keen observers are of opinion that the sooner Marshal Chang returns to Mukden the better it will be for the safety of his own territory. The natives, with that characteristic superstitious spirit of theirs, affirm that the Marshal is entering upon an ominous period.

Chekiang Ready to Join Cantonese.

For the past week Kashing has had more than its supply of soldiers, writes a *Shanghai Mercury* correspondent from Kashing on December 5th. At present from three to five thousand is the estimate of the number stationed here. Curfew is enforced at night. Each gate is guarded by soldiers, and no one is allowed to go outside of the city or come inside of the city after eight o'clock at night without a special permit. The soldiers stationed here, though large in number, are rather orderly. They belong to General Mong's Division.

Quite a number of Chinese here predict that, between now and the end of the year, this province will be under Southern control; that Governor Chen I is only waiting an opportunity to join his forces with those of Canton; that the Southern soldiers will be let into Chekiang from Fukien in the same way in which General Sun gained entrance more than two years ago. There are no reliable Northern soldiers south of Kashing, the section below here being held by Chekiang soldiers, about whose loyalty and fighting qualities there is room for doubt.

As to one thing there seems to be no question; the vast majority of Chinese around here appear to be willing to heartily welcome the Cantonese soldiers.

Another Chang Tso Lin Manifesto.

Following his assumption of the post of Commander-in-Chief of the An Kuo Chun Army on December 2nd, Marshal Chang Tso Lin issued a circular telegram, the gist of which is as follows:—

"In accordance with the eager advice of various leaders, including Marshal Sun Chuan Fang, I have assumed office as Commander-in-Chief of the An Kuo Chun Army.

"Acting in co-operation with those who have the same end in view, I should like to oust all those who are harmful to the nation, so that the object of the An Kuo Chun Army, *viz.*, to restore tranquility in the country, may be accomplished. For this purpose, the An Kuo Chun Army will maintain strict military discipline and not cause excitement among the people, bearing in mind that the sole object of the Army is to save the country. When tranquility has been restored, Chang Tso Lin intends to invite distinguished persons throughout the land in order to determine national policy, thereby establishing a real law-governing Republic."

BRITISH COAL PRICES.

SUBSTANTIAL CUT ANNOUNCED.

RETAIL PRICES REDUCED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 7th.

The substantial cut in coal prices, which the re-opening of the mines and the resumption of the work by 700,000 miners have made possible, became effective to-day, when retail prices of household coal were reduced according to quality from 19 to 14 shillings per ton. It is understood the position at the collieries is such that restrictions on the export of coal will now be withdrawn but some control will be maintained temporarily regarding shipments abroad of anthracite and coke. Places are being found in the mines as rapidly as possible for men applying for work. It is estimated that an additional 100,000 miners will restart this week.

ANGLO-FINNISH COMMERCIAL RELATIONS.

POPULARITY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

RUGBY, December 7th.

At the Anglo-Finnish dinner last night, the Finnish Minister in London referred to the recent growth of trade and intellectual relations between the two countries and said the interest in the English language in Finland was growing so fast that English promised to be the best-known foreign language in that country.

The president of the Board of Trade said that the fostering of cordial relations with Finland, political and commercial, would be the aim of whatever British Government was in power. Britain was Finland's best customer taking one-third of its exports and supplying 17 per cent. of its imports. The reputation for stability and integrity which Finland was establishing on the exchanges of the world was observed with admiration in England.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

PRIVATE SITTING OF COUNCIL.

NO WOMAN ON THE HEALTH COMMITTEE.

RUGBY, December 8th.

The meeting of the League Council began to-day with a private sitting at which the Agenda was discussed, a brief public sitting followed.

The Council approved the appointment of Herr Dufour Feronce, as Under-Secretary General of the League. Sir Austen Chamberlain congratulated the Council on its choice, and Dr. Stresemann thanked Sir Austen Chamberlain for his friendly words. Sir Austen Chamberlain drew attention to the fact that there was no woman member of the League's Health Committee and proposed that one should be appointed.

The Council adjourned until to-morrow afternoon.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Private Conference.

GENEVA, December 6th.

After a meeting for two hours between Sir Austen Chamberlain, M. Briand Dr. Stresemann, Signor Scialoja, and M. Vandervelde a joint *communiqué* was issued stating that they had met in order to continue in common the conversations begun on the previous day separately. They were satisfied with the progress made. Further meetings would be held and it was hoped that an agreement would be reached.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

MR. BALDWIN AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE.

RUGBY, December 6th.

The Premier stated in the House of Commons that, in the absence of Sir Austen Chamberlain, who is at Geneva attending the League Council, he is himself taking charge of the business of the Foreign Office.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NORTH AMERICA'S EARLY WINTER.

QUEBEC, December 6th.

The early winter in North America has resulted in fourteen vessels, chiefly outward bound, being caught in the ice of the St. Lawrence.

A CANADIAN DIAMOND JUBILEE.

OTTAWA, December 6th.

The Prince of Wales and Mr. Stanley Baldwin have officially been invited to come to Canada to participate in the diamond jubilee of the confederation of Upper and Lower Canada on July 1st, 1927.

BRITISH TAXATION.

THE AMOUNT PER CAPITA.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 7th.

A detailed statement to Parliament by the Financial Secretary to the Treasury shows that the amount per head of the population raised by taxation and expended on public services is 373 shillings and sixpence. Of this 162 shillings is applied to the National Debt services and 110 shillings to the Civil Estimates. The Defence Services cost 54 shillings per head. The balance is accounted for by other consolidated fund charges, customs and excises and coastal service.

U.S. LEGISLATURE.

THE LAST SESSION OF THE 69th CONGRESS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, December 7th.

The short and last session of the 69th Congress has been opened.

The only incident in the Senate arose when Senator Walsh drew attention to the bribery charges against Mr. Arthur Gould, Republican Senator-elect for Maine, after discussion, the latter was sworn in.

The Senate completed its work in twenty minutes and adjourned out of respect to the memory of two Senators, who had died since the last session.

The House of Representatives also adjourned after an hour.

Mr. Gallivan introduced a resolution proposing a referendum with regard to prohibition.

Both Houses have a prodigious array of legislation, but few if any important measures.

It is expected that the General Supply Bills are likely to be passed and that the Administration will fight for tax reduction, while shipping, railways, coal, banking, Philippines and national defence will be dealt with in pending bills.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUMANIA'S KING.

A SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.

BUCHAREST, December 7th.

King Ferdinand was operated upon. His condition is satisfactory.

RUBBER CONSUMPTION.

THE YEAR'S ESTIMATED TOTAL.

LONDON, December 6th.

In the House of Commons, replying to Colonel Woodcock, Mr. Amery, Secretary for the Colonies, said that the most reliable estimate of the world's consumption of rubber for the current year he could give was the manufacturers purchases, which were approximately 500,000 tons. The Empire territory had supplied 65 per cent. of the aproximate world production for the same period.

PLEASING COMEDY DRAMA.

AT THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"LOVERS IN QUARANTINE."

Bright and swift in action, "Lovers in Quarantine," which opened at the Queen's Theatre yesterday, is a very pleasing comedy-drama, with more comedy than drama, but sufficient of the latter to make the picture interesting, and plenty of the former to entertain and amuse.

Bebe Daniels is starred in a leading role as "an unkempt mischievous hoyden," who is referred to in scorn by her sister's fiancée as a "gawky kid." She adroitly turns the tables on him by suddenly blossoming as a very fascinating and attractive young lady. The result is that the young man rapidly revises his opinion and proceeds to fall madly in love with her.

The story is depicted in an extremely amusing manner and the film should certainly be seen. It will be shown for the last time to-day.

An excellent programme is further enhanced by a newsy "Gaumont Graphic" and a capital Our Gang Comedy "Fast Workers"; while the Queen's Orchestra greatly adds to the pleasure of the entertainment.

To-morrow and till Saturday there will be screened "The Bat," comedy-mystery-drama, adapted from the famous and successful stage play of the same name. Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood are in the notable cast.

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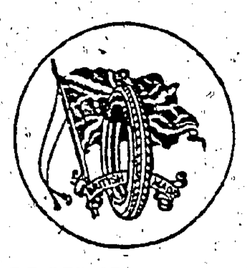

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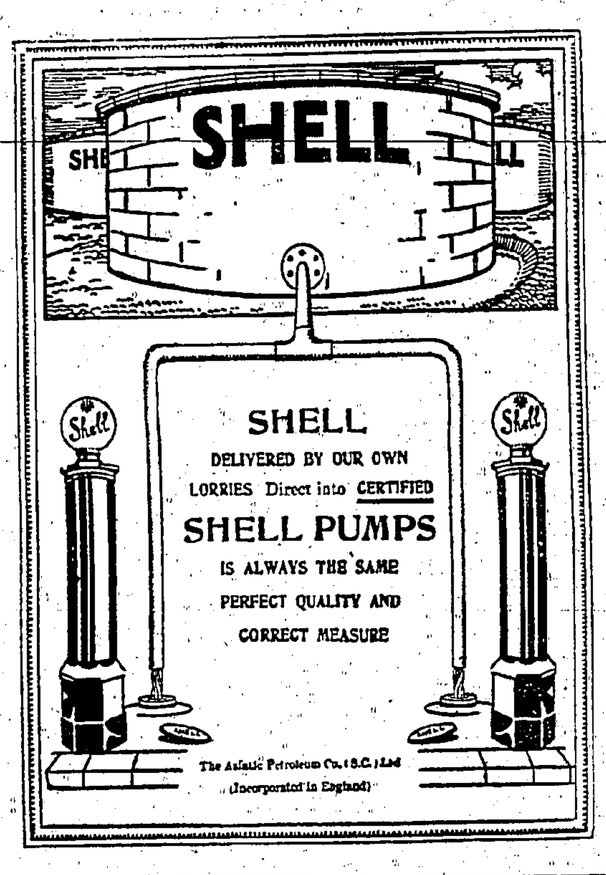

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[BY AN OWNER-DRIVER.]

LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.

Only those who drive a car realise the immense improvements that can be made by widening a road at a difficult corner.

Sometimes the writer wishes that every member of the Executive Council would make a practice of driving a car. He would like each one of them to drive a fairly big car on some dark night, from Taipo to Kowloon.

That road is indeed difficult at night. There might easily be an accident at any time to a driver who is not experienced and quick witted.

The road has been improved in some places; especially some years ago when a new bridge was built. There is, however, one bad bridge that causes the owner-driver, and no doubt the chauffeur, considerable anxiety.

HOW LONG!

The mention of the word "bridge" must remind the reader of the bridge at Taipo apparently nothing is being done although for many months motorists have complained about the inconvenience of the present arrangements.

Surely, some member of the Legislative Council might at least ask a question and demand a definite statement. Is it true that the money has been voted to build a new bridge? Has the contract been given?

The surface of the Taipo Road might be improved in places. The most urgent need, however, is the expenditure of a considerable sum of money on road widening, especially at some of the bad corners.

On the whole the gradients are quite goods and a modern car finds no great difficulty in keeping in top gear the whole way from Taipo to Kowloon.

It will be a blessing for motorists when the Nathan Road extension is completed. That will be a very great improvement.

REMOVE LAMP STANDARDS.

One of the most urgent needs over in Kowloon is the removal of the lamp standards down the centre of Nathan Road.

At the end of the road further from the Railway Station there are no lamp standards.

Illumination is provided in a satisfactory manner by means of lamps fastened to wires that stretch across the road.

Why not adopt the same sensible system for that portion of the road where the traffic is much more dense?

In these days of congested traffic there should be no standards in the centre of the road. The tramway standards in Hong Kong are a source of great danger to motorists. In the event of a slight skid they cause accidents that would otherwise never occur.

ROAD OBSTRUCTIONS.

It is good news that the local telephone company are replacing the overhead wires with underground cables. For the posts alongside the road are a great nuisance.

Even if the overhead wires must remain surely the posts can be moved to a less dangerous position.

In many places these posts, and gas lamp standards, obstruct in places where they could be moved just a few feet off the road at very little expense.

There are some bad examples of that sort of thing in Hong Kong, especially along Park Road, Caine Road and at the East end of the city of Victoria.

STUBBS ROAD.

Morrison Hill is gradually disappearing but so far there has been no improvement at the very dangerous corner where Stubbs Road ends just near to Morrison Hill. Going up to the Peak, the right hand side of the entrance to the road has been widened (for which many thanks must be given) but it is the left hand side that is so difficult.

On the whole Stubbs Road is a fine piece of work and it does seem a pity not to make it better still by pushing on with the scheme for widening it near to Morrison Hill.

Another great road improvement that will soon be complete is that near to the foot of Shaukiwan Hill.

ON TOP GEAR.

When that piece of road is finished one car that always has had to change will sail up the Shaukiwan Hill on top gear.

With the modern high speed and high compression engine the power falls rapidly as the revolutions of the engine slow down.

If you can keep the engine "revving" well, you can get ever so much more power. The unpleasant bottle neck piece of road at the foot of Shaukiwan Hill has made it imperative to slow down the speed of the engine before tackling the hill.

With the completion of the new road between the Shaukiwan Hill and the Taikoo Sugar Refinery we shall soon forget all the old anxieties we had in that district.

NO HURRY.

We shall, however, continue to urge that the piece of road adjoining the Hong Kong Electric Company's Power Station be rendered unnecessary as soon as possible.

There are many things in Hong Kong of which we citizens of the Colony have reason to be proud. There are some very fine roads—and some that have not been adjusted to the new traffic conditions. We cannot, indeed, congratulate ourselves on the rapidity with which road improvements have been made.

We often smile about the "Red Flag act" which was law in Britain until 1897. That act compelled every owner of a mechanically propelled vehicle to have a man walking in front of the motor car. The man carried a red flag to warn people of the danger.

In Hong Kong there was no road round the island until about twenty years—not long after that act was repealed.

Now, nearly thirty years after the repeal of the Red Flag Act, the road round the island is good—in places!

From the Wanchai district out to the Shaukiwan Hill it is bad, Caine Road and Bonham Road are appalling. Future generations will pity those of us who drive car along such thoroughfares! That thought may be a consolation.

THE HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

It is good news that the sponsors of the idea of a dinner and dance under the auspices of the local Automobile Association have to relate.

It seems practically certain that this social event will be held in January. It is sure to be a great success.

It will enable members of the Association and their friends to meet each other. It may even be the beginning of some local Club on the lines of the Royal Automobile Club in London.

There is a great need in Hong Kong for such a social club and the local Automobile Association might at least make a beginning.

FOR THE LADIES.

At present there is no place in Hong Kong, except a public restaurant, where a lady can obtain a rest or refreshment.

A man can easily arrange to change into evening dress at his Club. In these days of equality of the sexes the ladies are demanding similar privileges. They need a club in Hong Kong central.

A READING ROOM.

If the local Automobile Association could form the nucleus of a club by hiring in some suitable building two or three rooms, nicely furnished, and where refreshments and periodicals are available, the experiment would at least show whether such a place were needed.

The old reading room adjacent to the Club was not attractive. If the ladies had the right to use the club rooms they would see that the furniture was comfortable. The rooms would be clean and the refreshments properly served. The R.A.C. in London is a great success.

PARKING THE CAR.

It is becoming more and more difficult for the owner-drivers in Hong Kong to find parking places in the City. There is always room near to the City Hall, but it means some little distance to walk from there to the shops.

There is also Statue Square. Owner drivers who have left their cars there complain that the chauffeurs puncture the tyres and do other damage.

It is impossible to catch any individual at that dirty work, but there is evidence that such crimes have been committed.

NEAR THE BEACHES.

Parking spaces are needed near the beaches. At Castle Peak a space might be made available on some of the land adjoining the road.

The parking space at Repulse Bay was crowded during the past summer. Now is the time to extend the areas of the parking space for cars at that popular resort.

A NUISANCE.

Some owners park their cars for hours at very awkward places.

They seem to think that if they leave the car off a main road it is quite all right. So they park at the narrow entrance of any road leading off the main road, but open to motor traffic. Many a car is left out all night because of the considerable distance between the owner's house and a garage.

During the summer when typhoon signals went up unexpectedly more than one owner driver turned out in the night in order to take his car to a place of safety.

The garage problem is a difficulty on the island. It does seem a pity that there is no central garage where the owner-driver can leave his car all day.

The sun and the rain do not improve the body work of a car. The best place for a car, when it is not in use, is under proper cover.

The next best place, in the summer, is in the shade. Unfortunately, there are few trees to provide shade in the centre of the City. Trees are usually a great nuisance for traffic.

LIGHT FRAME CONSTRUCTION.

Fabric leather coverings is now a feature of bodywork seen in France. For touring cars they are now said to be in the majority in that country.

In the recent Paris show fabric leather made its appearance on the utilitarian type of motor vehicle.

The entire load of an eleven seater coach is placed directly on the frame members. This allows the wall framework to be made very light and covered with fabric, padded and finally covered with fabric leather.

THE SPORTS CAR.

It has always been the ambition of at least one owner-driver in Hong Kong to own a sports model.

There is the high speed minature sports model Austin seven car. One of the English firms has fitted a body which is fabric covered on a solid base and the firm advertises that the body is "literally feather weight."

Anyhow the car can do 55 miles an hour on a petrol consumption of 50 miles to the gallon.

It can do 40 miles per hour on second gear which is, as the Americans express it, "doing some."

The sports car has the lines that attract. It is, of course, a two-seater (or "disobliger") and some owners do not like a two seater. The ideal thing is to have a four seater saloon and a two seater sports model. Perhaps when the good times come again to Hong Kong we shall see more examples of sports models.

"CO-OPERATIVE ASSEMBLY."

The recent gathering of Prime Ministers of the Empire in London led to some comments about overseas trade in motor vehicles. Mr. Bruce, from Australia, made a great effort to stimulate attention in the direction of research. In actual fact the motor industry in Great Britain was the first branch of engineering to form an approved research association.

Very valuable research work on internal combustion engines has also been done by Committees appointed by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

The modern high compression petrol engine has developed along the existing lines chiefly because of the classical researches carried out in King's College by F. W. Burstall and others some twenty-five years ago.

ALLOYS RESEARCH.

Another line of research, instituted by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (Great Britain) is that concerning alloys. That was indeed a great pioneer effort. It directed the attention of motor manufacturers to the valuable physical properties of certain alloys, which are now in common use.

Great Britain has been the pioneer in all kinds of engineering research work during the last hundred and fifty years.

Mr. Bruce, being a politician, is probably unaware of the facts of the case.

THE PANACEA.

The British motor manufacturer not unnaturally took advantage of the assembly of the Colonial Premiers in London to find out how best he could sell cars and commercial vehicles in the Dominions overseas. Mr. Bruce said that the individual manufacturer is not in a position to tackle the problem of the demand in Australia. He says that co-operative production and co-operative assembly in Australia itself is the solution of the difficulty.

That makes the engineer suspect that Mr. Bruce had his eye on the votes of the working men in his own country. They would, of course, obtain more employment if his scheme were adopted.

Politically it might be a good move. In practice a well-equipped motor factory in Great Britain could turn out machinery at a lower price than it could be done under Mr. Bruce's scheme.

The production of the modern car or commercial vehicle demands very expensive specialised workshop equipment.

No doubt in years to come celebrated motor manufacturers will have branch factories in the Far East, at present there is not sufficient demand to warrant the great capital expenditure that would be needed.

THE NEW PUMP.

The suggestion, first made in these columns, that more petrol pumps were needed in Hong Kong was promptly investigated by the ever alert local staff of the Asiatic Petroleum Company. The result has been gratifying to owner drivers who wish to save time.

The new pump outside the City Hall is in a very convenient position and will no doubt be well patronised.

Many a motorist has already commented favourably upon the enterprise of the A.P.C. in placing this pump there.

May it be permitted for this journal to congratulate also the local Government authorities who gave the necessary permission? Happy indeed is the community that has such an efficient commercial organisation ready to investigate suggestions and also Government officials who do not obstruct the carrying out of new schemes. The pump is really a monument of enterprise and common sense. Congratulations to those who provided it.

ALL RECORDS BEATEN.

A total of 284,000 visitors to Olympia and a certainty of a very great profit for the promotors of the great exhibition makes one wonder what will happen next year.

The crush was beyond a joke and, curiously enough, there was no "one way traffic!" at Olympia. No doubt the promoters of next year's show will see to it that the sightseers have the advantage of regulated traffic near to the exhibits. Even the space devoted to accessories was crowded.

There is a demand by many exhibitors that the space at Olympia shall be made even larger. With the high prices charged for admission it should be possible to arrange for more space.

No one in Britain seems to have made the suggestion that the obvious place for a huge motor exhibition is the Machinery Hall at Wembly.

It must be gratifying to motor enthusiasts to know that the Annual Exhibition of cars is the biggest entertainment provided by the Metropolis.

If commercial vehicles, motor cycles and motor boats were exhibited at the same time as the cars there would be a record area needed for the Exhibits. Next year's arrangements will prove whether the British motor industry has learnt the great lesson taught by this year's record attendance.

(*Continued on next Column*).

THE CHINA COAST.

CHANGES IN OFFICER PERSONNEL.

The following changes have taken place in the officer personnel on the China Coast:—

Mr. A. H. Lake, second officer, *Kwangtung*, has gone second officer, *Tean*.

Mr. R. E. Stott, second officer, *Tean*, has been second officer, *Kwangtung*.

Captain A. J. White, of the *Changsha*, is on Home leave.

Captain A. von Winkler, of the *Chungking*, has gone master, *Changsha*.

Captain E. Monkman, from reserve, has gone master, *Chungking*.

Captain W. Lumsden, from Home leave, has gone master, *Soochow*.

Mr. J. W. Lamont, acting master, *Soochow*, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr. E. M. Swan, chief officer, *Soochow*, is on reserve.

Mr. C. S. Murray, second engineer, *Wenchow*, is on reserve.

Mr. C. L. Tilburn, from Home leave, has gone second engineer, *Wenchow*.

Mr. W. J. McCarthy, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, *Taming*.

Mr. W. S. Smith, acting second engineer, *Chinhua*, has gone acting second engineer, *Kiungchow*.

Mr. C. Cormack, chief engineer, *Sunning*, is on reserve.

Mr. R. S. Sinclair, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer, *Sunning*.

Mr. J. G. Campbell, chief engineer, *Kwangtung*, is on reserve.

Captain F. Rowell, from Home leave, has gone master *Pingwo*.

Captain C. M. Cater, of the *Pingwo*, is on reserve.

Captain G. E. Vaughan, of the *Chaksang*, is on reserve.

Captain A. Dockwrey, of the *Waishing*, has gone master, *Chaksang*.

Captain J. S. Masson, of the *Fatshing*, is on reserve.

Captain C. A. Robertson, of the *Kwongsang*, has gone master, *Fatshing*.

Mr. L. M. McWilliams, reserve, has gone chief engineer, *Kutwo*.

Mr. J. S. Black, chief engineer *Kutwo*, is on reserve.

Mr. W. I. Donald has been appointed sup'y third engineer *Lienshing*.

Mr. W. Crosbie, from Home leave, has gone chief engineer, *Luenho*.

Mr. A. Livingston, chief engineer, *Luenho*, is on reserve.

Mr. H. L. Lee, from reserve, has gone sup'y third engineer, *Loongwo*.

Mr. J. A. Thom, sup'y third engineer, *Loongwo*, has gone third engineer, *Pingwo*.

Mr. A. McNab, third engineer, *Pingwo*, has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

Mr. A. McNay, second engineer, *Pingwo*, has gone acting chief engineer, same ship.

Mr. J. S. Holmes, chief engineer, *Pingwo*, is on reserve.

Mr. R. A. Black, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, *Kochow*.

Mr. H. W. Smythe, from reserve has gone chief engineer, *Suitai*.

Mr. W. A. McLean, from reserve, has gone second engineer, *Lok Sun*.

Mr. D. C. Will, second engineer, *Lok Sun*, is on reserve.

Mr. H. Edmondson, chief engineer, *Haiching*, is on reserve.

Mr. E. J. McCombie, chief engineer, *Haiyang*, has gone chief engineer, *Haiching*.

Mr. T. W. Spence has been appointed chief officer, *Lok Sun*.

Mr. W. Lee, second officer, *Apoey*, has gone chief officer, *Telemachus*.

Mr. C. Boyce, chief officer, *Telemachus*, is on reserve.

Mr. H. McKennedy, chief officer, *Siestan*, is on Home leave.

Mr. A. C. Tait, third officer, *Gorgistan*, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. W. Perritt, second officer, *Haiching*, has gone chief officer, *Hydrangea*.

Mr. R. Perry, third officer, *Haiching*, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. T. A. Nicholas, chief officer, *Hydrangea*, has gone chief officer, *Derwent*.

Mr. E. P. Smith, chief officer, *Derwent*, is on reserve.

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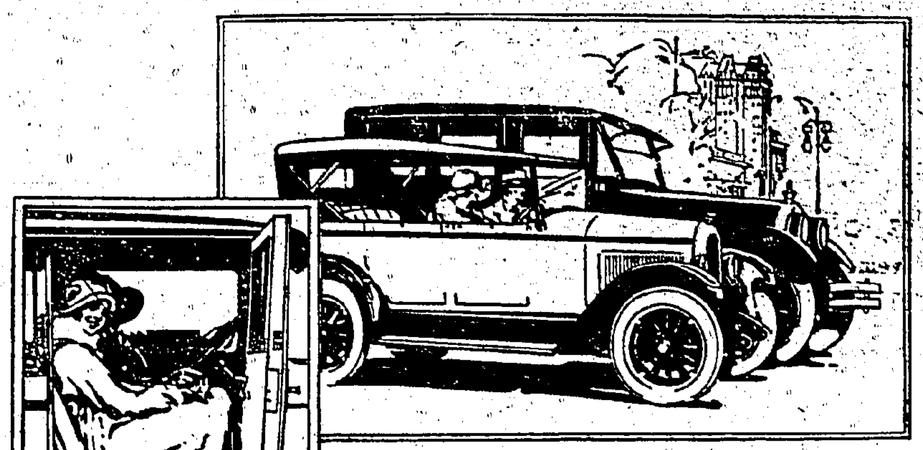

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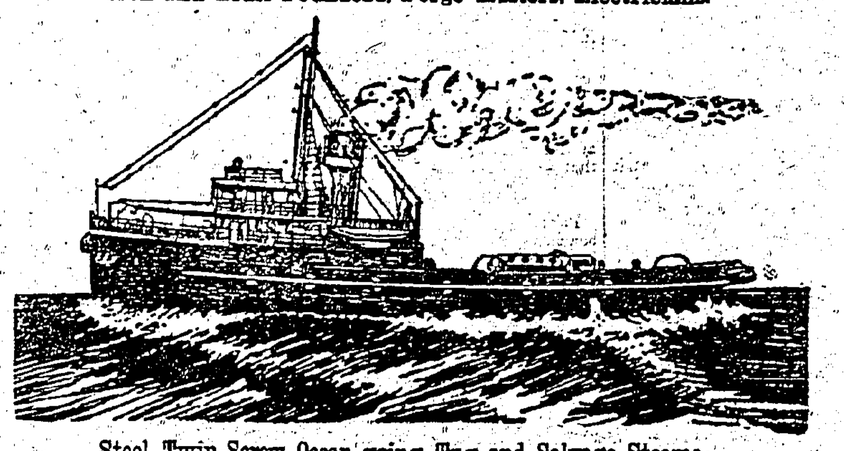

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The s.s. *Tai Ming*, which left Hong Kong on December 2nd, was stranded in the early morning of December 4th while crossing from the middle of Kaukong towards the island of Hokshan. The steamer was making for the entrance of the western or new channel.

Soundings taken showed that water forward and aft was 12 feet, but amidship the depth was only 8½ feet. The *Tai Ming* was going at a speed of 8 knots and slid onto a reef, and in doing so lifted herself about 3 feet.

Two lighters were sent for to lighten the ship which had a full cargo and 250 passengers. H.M.S. *Cicala* stood by in the deep water.

In an attempt to tow the *Tai Ming*, H.M.S. *Cicala* broke two hawsers, and the *Dilly* took the passengers for up-river. An armed escort of Chinese soldiers was sent for, as pirate activities were feared.

When all cargo had been discharged, the *Tai Ming* floated clear on her own power at about 10.30 p.m.

Examination showed that no damage had been done. The rock, in the opinion of shipping circles, has recently bared itself.

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued from the Royal Observatory at 7.5, stated:—

The anti-cyclone has strengthened slightly. The typhoon continues to move N.E. away from the Philippines.

Local forecast: N. to N.E. winds, fresh to strong, fine, cooler.

The typhoon warning quoted below was received from the Manila Observatory at 10.10 a.m., December 7th:—

Manila Dec. 7th, 8.10 a.m.—Cyclone or typhoon E. of Luzon more than 300 miles distant, recurving North-Eastward.

An earlier message dated December 6th, 4 p.m., stated that the cyclone or typhoon was E. of Southern Luzon, moving N.N.W.

The *Yuet On*, whilst *en route* for Canton over the weekend, was in collision with a junk which sank. The survivors were picked up by the Portuguese vessel *Hsin Chein*.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

"GLEN LINE LIMITED."

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Motor Vessel
"GLENSHIEL"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 15th December, 1926, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on 14th December, 1926, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

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S.S. "AMAZONE."

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless instructions are received from the Consignees 12 hours before arrival requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 13th instant, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.

All Claims must be sent in to us on or before the Thursday, the 16th December, 1926, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday the 13th instant. No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 13th December, 1926, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 20th December, 1926, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods, are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, at 10.30 a.m. within the Free Storage period of One Week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM U. S. A.

THE Steamship
"ROSERIC"
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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 13th December, 1926, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned, on or before 20th December 1926 or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Monday, 13th December, 1926, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Saturday, 11th instant, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within Fifteen days of the Vessel's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

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Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature.

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Agents:
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1926. [4252

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

December 6th.

Colorado, British str., 6,613 tons, Capt. W. Smith, from New York *via* Iloilo. She left New York on September 30th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—Bank Line.

Dampto, Norwegian str., 1,430 tons, Capt. E. N. Johnsen, from Chinwangtao, which port she left on Nov. 29th, with a cargo of coal, lying at Laichikok.—Dodwell & Co.

Rosarie, British str., 3,005 tons, Capt. W. Forsyth, from New York and Iloilo. The former port she left on September 30th and the latter on December 1st, with cases oil and canned goods, lying at Standard Wharf.—Bank Line.

Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. Wm. Lumsden, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

Shunshan Maru, Japanese str., 1,305 tons, Capt. G. Kawamura, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C36.—N.Y.K.

Taming, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. E. M. Gellie, from Haiphong and Fort Bayard, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. B23.—B. & S.

December 7th.

Amazone, French str., 6,019 tons, Capt. Conle, from Marseilles, which port she left on November 5th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Messageries Maritimes.

Empress of Asia, British str., 8,789 tons, Capt. L. D. Douglas, R.N.R., from Manila, which port she left on Dec. 5th, with 176 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A2.—C.P.R.

Kojun Maru, Japanese str., 1,305 tons, Capt. B. Uyehara, from Dairen and Weihaiwei. The latter port she left on December 1st, with coal and sundries, lying at buoy No. C38.—M.B.K.

Paul Lecat, French str., 7,500 tons, Capt. Roscor, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—M.M.

CLEARANCES.

December 7th.

Amazone, for Shanghai.
Carl Legian, for Manila.
Fooshing, for Swatow.
Hai Ning, for Swatow.
Hin Sang, for Sandakan.
Kwangsi, for Shanghai.
Kwei Yang, for Bangkok.
Liangchow, for Swatow.
Paul Lecat, for Saigon.
St. Albans, for Moji.
Suiyang, for Amoy.
Tai Fook Sing, for Amoy.
Tak Hing, for Autow.

SHIPPING NOTES.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were 338 deck passengers carried into Hong Kong, of which 117 were brought by the s.s. *Sungshan Maru* from Canton, and 96 were from the *Soochow*, from Shanghai and Amoy.

The s.s. *St. Albans*, from Melbourne and Manila, came into port yesterday with 453 tons of cargo for local discharge. The vessel also brought 21 European and 27 Asiatic cabin passengers, and 106 deck passengers. She has on board 1,115 tons of general merchandise for ports beyond.

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m.v. "FORMOSA"	20th January, 1927

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S.S. "OLDENBURG" ... due here on or about the 15th February, 1927

SAILINGS FOR EUROPE VIA MANILA

†S.S. "PREUSSEN" ... sailing from here about 2nd January, 1927
*M.S. "VOGTLAND" ... sailing from here about 24th January, 1927
§M.S. "MUENSTERLAND" ... sailing from here about 17th February, 1927

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	...Jan. 28	Jan. 29	Feb. 1	Feb. 4	Feb. 13
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	...Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	...Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...Apr. 20	Apr. 22	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	...May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	...June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
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SPHINX ... ...A ...	17th Dec., "	19th Jan., "	15th Feb., "
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TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"WAISHING"	...Friday,	10th Dec., at Noon.
KOBE via AMOY ...	"HOSANG"	...Saturday,	11th Dec., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ...	"SUISANG"	...Saturday,	11th Dec., at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK ...	"RANGSANG"	...Tuesday,	14th Dec., at 9 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW ...	"KWONGSANG"	...Tuesday,	14th Dec., at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW ...	"MINGSANG"	...Thursday,	16th Dec., at 9 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI ...	"HOPSANG"	...Friday,	17th Dec., at 10 a.m.
OSAKA via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE ...	"KUMSANG"	...Saturday,	18th Dec., at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN ...	"CHEONGSHING"	...Monday,	20th Dec., at Noon.
SANDAKAN ...	"MAUSANG"	...Thursday,	23rd Dec., at 2 p.m.
OSAKA via MOJI & KOBE ...	"NAMSANG"	...Friday,	24th Dec., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA ...	"LAISANG"	...Tuesday,	28th Dec., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN ...	"HINSANG"	...Monday,	10th Jan., at 2 p.m.

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"GLENOGLE"	20th Jan.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg via Oran.		
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TJIKEMBANG ...	Shanghai	13th "	16th "	Batavia
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YESTERDAY'S STATEMENTS.

Considering the small number of arrivals during the 24 hours ended yesterday at 9 a.m., freights entered into Hong Kong were well above the average. There were 9,527 tons of general merchandise imported into the Colony, of which 1,378 tons were discharged from British vessels. The two best returns were 4,473 tons from the *Koko Maru* from Dairen, and 2,000 tons from the Norwegian vessel, *Dampbo*, from Chinwangtao.

Cargo for ports beyond has fallen considerably. Out of nine arrivals, only three vessels carried through freights. The total tonnage carried were 6,709 tons, of which 435 were on two British vessels and 6,274 were on the *President Hayes*, from New York and Shanghai.

During the period under review, there were nine arrivals and 10 departures. They were: British 4 arrivals and 6 departures; Japanese 3 arrivals and 1 departure; Norwegian 1 arrival and 1 departure; American 1 arrival and 2 departures.

66 vessels were in port; they were British 32; American 1; German 1; *Panama* 1; Norwegian 2; Japanese 5; Chinese 17; Dutch 15; Portuguese 2; French 1.

The tabulated lists of arrivals and clearances will be found in another column.

VESSELS EXPECTED

Coblenz (N.D.L.), due to-morrow morning.
Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due December 23rd.
Formosa (Swedish East Asiatic), due December 13th.
Malwa (P. & O.), due December 10th, at 6 a.m.
Nyanza (P. & O.), due December 10th, about 6 a.m.

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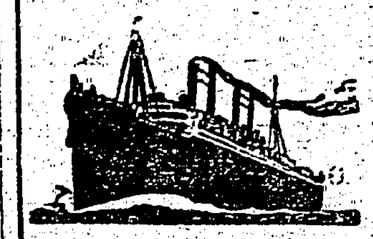

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*s.s. "COBLENZ" ...	——	9th December, 1926.
*s.s. "YORCK"	——	2nd January, 1927.
*M.S. "FULDA"	20th December, 1926.	6th February "
*s.s. "DERFFLINGER"	27th January, 1927.	26th February "
*s.s. "TRIER"	25th February, "	26th March, "
*s.s. "SAARBRUECKEN"	25th March, "	30th April, "
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*SIBERIA MARU	Sunday,	6th March,	at Noon

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BOKUYO MARU	Thursday,	16th Dec.,	at Noon
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KASHIMA MARU	Saturday,	18th Dec.,	at 11 a.m.
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*KAWACHI MARU	Friday,	31st Dec.

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SADO MARU	Saturday,	11th Dec.
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AKI MARU	Saturday,	18th Dec.
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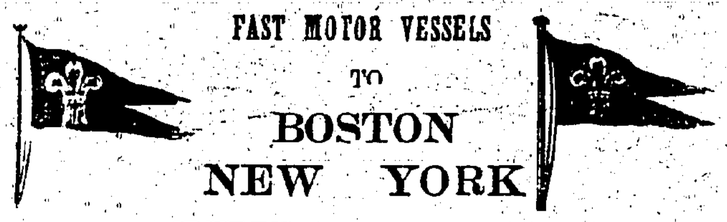

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"KHIVA"	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"MIRZAPORE"	8,715	3rd Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	6th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	25th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOREA"	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	15th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"NELLORE"	8,852	3rd March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,992	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,000	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	17th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"KARMALA"	9,128	15th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	23th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,950	30th April	Marseilles and London.
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"TALAMBA"	8,018	8th Dec., Noon	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TALMA"	10,000	16th Dec.	do.
"SHIRALA"	7,841	26th Dec.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,936	2nd Jan.	do.
"TAKADA"	6,949	9th Jan.	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH).

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	31st Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	28th Jan.	
"TANDA"	6,958	4th Mar.	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	
"TANDA"	6,958	3rd June, 4 p.m.	

Regular Monthly Sailings from Hongkong to Japan and Hongkong to Australia.
The E. & A.S.S. Co., Ltd., steamers will also call at Shanghai, Iloilo, Cebu, Kolambugan, Tawao, Timor, Darwin, or other ports en route as inducement offers.
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The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"MALWA"	10,914	10th Dec., 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	10th Dec., 4 p.m.	Moji and Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKLIWA"	7,936	14th Dec.	Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,949	22nd Dec.	Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,144	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,992	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	8,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,959	8th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,128	16th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,950	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
*Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.
All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
Steamers on London and Australian lines are fitted with Laundries.
Parcels measuring not more than 2½ ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon on the day previous to sailing.
For Further Information, Passage Fares, Freights, Handbooks, etc., apply to—
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P. & O. Building, Connaught Road Central, HONGKONG. Agents. [1

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AND
AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE
(ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

Sailings from Hongkong.

"YANGTSZE"	Via Suez Canal	17th December.
"COLORADO"	Via Suez Canal	31st December.
"CANFA"	Via Suez Canal	14th January.
"CYCLOPS"	Via Suez Canal	28th January.

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.
Subject to change without notice.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, or THE BANK LINE, LTD., HONGKONG.
HONGKONG AND CANTON, JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., CANTON 21

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 8th Dec.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 9th Dec.,	10 a.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TAMING"	On 9th Dec.,	Noon.
SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 11th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI TSINGTAO & DALNY	"KANGHOW"	On 13th Dec.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 13th Dec.,	10 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI"	On 13th Dec.,	6 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 14th Dec.,	6 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 14th Dec.,	6 a.m.
BANGKOK	"CHINHUA"	On 15th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 16th Dec.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"LUCHOW"	On 19th Dec.,	10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 19th Dec.,	10 a.m.

SALOON PASSAGE RATES, HONG KONG TO SHANGHAI and vice versa, Have Now Been Reduced To

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THESE NEW VESSELS MAINTAIN A REGULAR SERVICE FROM

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EXCELLENT & MOST UP-TO-DATE FIRST & SECOND CLASS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION.

HONGKONG TO SYDNEY—19 DAYS.

STEAMER	DUE HONGKONG ON OR ABOUT	SAILING HENCE ON OR ABOUT
CHANGTE	10th December	17th December
TAIPING	8th January	14th January
CHANGTE	8th February	15th February
TAIPING	11th March	18th March

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S.S. "BOWES CASTLE" ... ... on or about middle of Dec.

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NEXT SAILINGS.

OUTWARDS FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI

	From Hong Kong.
S.S. "VENEZIA"	Sails on or about 9th December.
M.V. "ROMOLO"	Sails on or about 6th January, 1927.
S.S. "FIUME-L"	Sails on or about 5th February, 1927.

HOMEWARDS FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE

	From Hong Kong.
M.V. "ESQUILINO"	Sails on or about 10th December, 1926.
S.S. "VENEZIA"	Sails on or about 7th January, 1927.
M.V. "ROMOLO"	Sails on or about 4th February, 1927.
S.S. "FIUME-L"	Sails on or about 4th March, 1927.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

FROM CALCUTTA AND COLOMBO TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

"UMZUMBI"	Sails from Calcutta End of December.
"UMSINGA"	Sails from Calcutta 31st January, 1927.

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports.
Through Bills of Lading issued from Hong Kong.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

HONG KONG AND SOUTH CHINA COAST PORT SERVICE.

REGULAR SERVICE of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers. Sailings subject to alteration without notice.
FOR
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW
AND RETURN
(Occupying 3 to 9 Days)

HAICHING	Friday,	10th December, at 1 p.m.
HAIHONG	Tuesday,	14th December, at 1 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).
Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hong Kong to Foochow (Pagoda Anchorage) or vice versa and Return by the same Steamer at the Reduced Rate of $60.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.
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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Straits	*Hosang*	8th Dec.
Shanghai	*Szechuen*	8th Dec.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai...	*Pres. McKinley* ..	9th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	*Pres. Wilson* ...	9th Dec.
Shanghai	*Luchow*	9th Dec.
Shanghai	*Macedonia* ...	10th Dec.
Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London, 11th Nov., & parcels, 4th Nov.)	*Malwa*	10th Dec.
Straits	*Nyanza*	10th Dec.
Straits	*Fushimi Maru* ..	13th Dec.
Shanghai	*Hector*	14th Dec.
Australia & Manila	*Aki Maru* ...	17th Dec.
Japan & Shanghai...	*Kashima Maru* ...	17th Dec.
Manila	*Pres. McKinley* ...	17th Dec.
Manila	*Pres. Wilson* ...	17th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai .	*Pres. Polk* ...	20th Dec.
Japan	*Tango Maru* ..	21st Dec.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai...	*Pres. Jefferson* .	21st Dec
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai..	*Pres. Lincoln* ..	23rd Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Straits & Calcutta	*Talamba* ...	Wednesday, 8th, Parcels 9.00 A M, Letters 10.00 A M
Fort Bayard, Hoihow & Haiphong'... ...	*Song Bo*	11.30 A M
Manila & Parcels for Germany via Hamburg	*Carl Legien* ...	1.30 P M
Shanghai and EUROPE via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	*Glenshiel*	5.00 P M
Swatow...	*Soochow*	Thursday, 9th, 8.30 A M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	*Delta*	10.30 A M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Taming*	10.30 A M
Straits	*Van Overstraten*...	2.30 P M
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	*Taikwa Maru* ...	Friday, 10th, 8.30 A M
Java via Batavia	*Tjileboet*	11.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	*Hai Ching*	Noon
Shanghai and Japan	*Malwa*	2.30 P M
Manila	*Pres. McKinley* ...	3.30 P M
Amoy	*Hosang*	5.00 P M
Shanghai	*Szechuen*	5.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Menado Maru* ...	5.00 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 7th Jan., 1927	*Macedonia*	Parcels 5.00 P M, Saturday, 11th, Reg. 9.45 A M, Letters 10.30 A M
Straits and Calcutta	*Sui Sang*	Saturday, 11th, Parcels Noon, Letters 1.00 P M
*Swatow and Bangkok	*Kaying*	Sunday, 12th 8.30 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	*Kaijo Maru* ...	9.00 A M
Amoy	*Anhui*	5.00 P M
Shanghai, Japan & EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only)	*Fushimi Maru* ...	Monday, 13th, 10.30 A M
*Swatow & Bangkok	*Hangsang*... ...	5.00 P M
Amoy	*Shantung*	5.00 P M
Wei Hai Wei	*Kweichow*	5.00 P M
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hoi Hong*	Tuesday, 14th, Noon
Bangkok	*Chinhua*	5.00 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 12th Jan., 1927	*Hector*	Wednesday, 15th, Reg. 9.45 A M, Letters 10.30 A M
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Mingsang* ...	5.00 P M

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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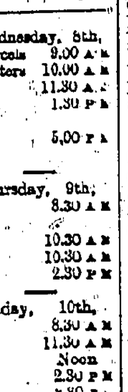

LONDON SERVICE.

"HECTOR"	15th Dec.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Glasgow.
"AUTOLYCUS"	28th Dec.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Hamburg.
"AENEAS"	11th Jan.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Glasgow.
"AGAPENOR"	25th Jan.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Hamburg.

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"TITAN"	18th Dec.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"DOLIUS"	20th Jan.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"DEUCALION"	20th Feb.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

PACIFIC SERVICE.
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"TALTHYBIUS"	18th Dec.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"PHILOCTETES"	30th Dec.	Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

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"OANFA"	14th Jan.	New York, Boston & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"AENEAS"	14th Dec. at Noon, for Shanghai.	
"HECTOR"	15th Dec.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"AENEAS"	11th Jan.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
"PATROCLUS"	9th Mar.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.

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Agents [6

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Authorised Capital $50,000,000
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Reserve Funds:—
Sterling £4,500,000
Silver $37,000,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors $20,000,000

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Haiphong	Manila	Tokyo
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Harbin	New York	

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened in LOCAL CURRENCY and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods in LOCAL CURRENCY and STERLING on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [25

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.
For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [2

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE.
Head Office:
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Subscribed Capital..Frs.72,000,000.00
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Reserve Fund Frs.59,667,283.54

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Every description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.
A. LECOT,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1924. [32

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.
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AUTHORIZED CAPITAL $10,000,000
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KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd May, 1926.

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28] D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

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5, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong.
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Capital .....Frs. 20,000,000
Reserves .....Frs. 11,160,000
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Canton	Hong Kong	

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A. BULLIN,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd December, 1925.

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Capital Subscribed ...Yen 45,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) ....Yen 39,375,000

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T. TAKAGI,
Manager.
HONG KONG BRANCH,
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Hong Kong, 11th May, 1926. [27

THE BANK OF CHINA.
中國銀行

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of the Republic of China on the 22nd of November, 1917.)

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL...$60,000,000.00
PAID-UP CAPITAL 19,760,200.00
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TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.
Hong Kong, January 16th, 1926. [38

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J. C. MAASSEN,
94] Acting Manager.

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C. L. C. SANDES, Manager.
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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for one year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
Hong Kong, August 1st, 1926. [30

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H. MORI, Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th Dec., 1926. [35

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